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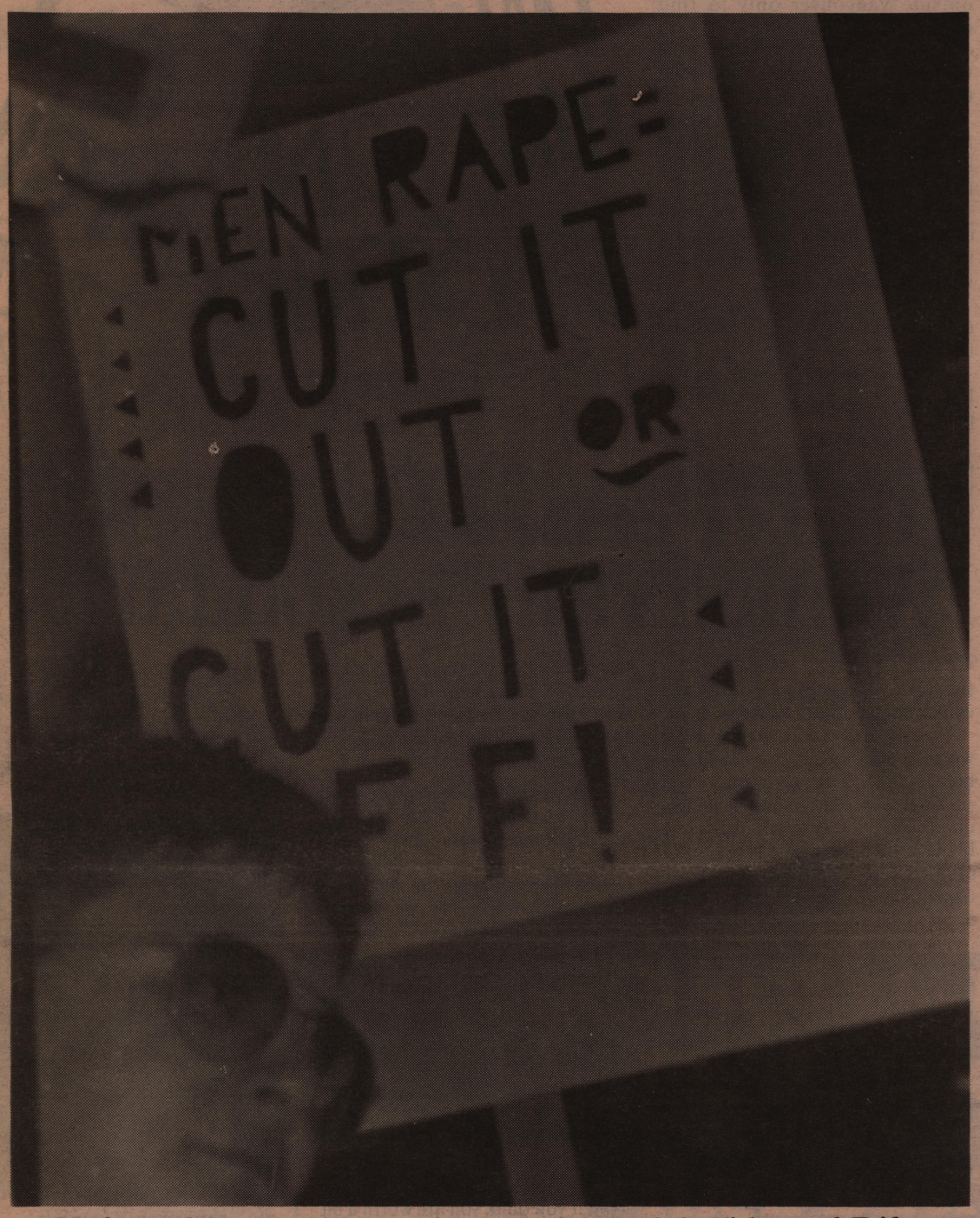
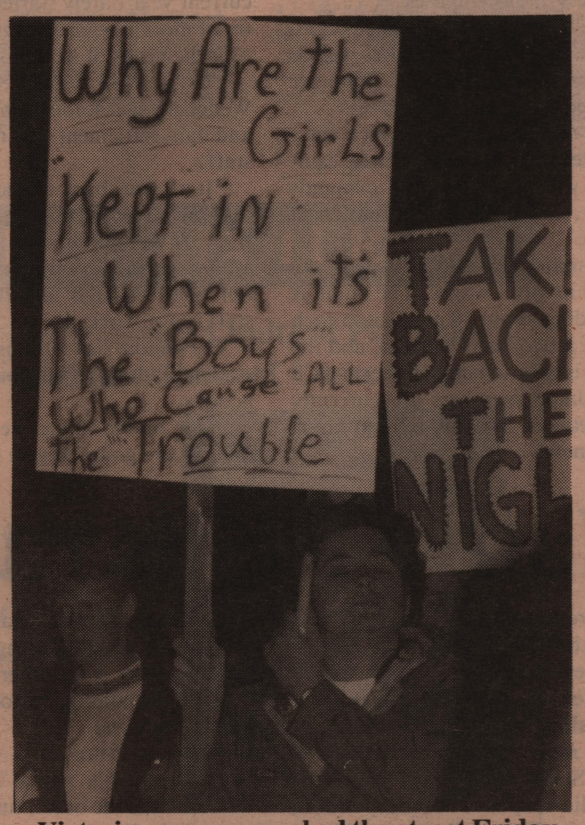


Marianne Alto was one of the organisers of the Take Back the Night march Friday.



Victoria women marched the street Friday night to protest violence against women.

Woman is injured during march for women's safety

by Sherryl Yeager and Amei Parkes

A woman was injured when she was struck in the temple with a rock during a rally to protest violence against women on Friday night.

Over 800 women turned out for the annual Take Back the Night march from Centennial Square to the Legislature. When they reached the parliament building lawn, Rachel Montpetit was hit with a rock.

"We had just arrived and were listening to the speakers, when all of a sudden a huge rock smashed me in the temple and I was thrown to the ground," said Montpetit.

"I didn't know what was happening, if I was going to pass out or what," she said. "The people standing in front of me were sprayed with bits of rock from it, (the piece of shale) broke up when it hit me."

"It was a bit of a shock," said Montpetit. "I've never experienced any violence against me before. The whole point of the march was protesting against violence, everyone was being peaceful, and I experienced violence."

The rally was organised by the Status of Women Action Group with help from other women's organisations and was part of a nationwide event.

"It is a march of solidarity, a march of celebration," said Marianne Alto, co-ordinator from SWAG.

"We are going to use our feet to take an active step to help all those women working to end violence against women," she said to the women when they gathered at Centennial Square.

"This is traditionally a women only event. It is one of the few opportunities we have to come together and

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400 rally for native rights

by Oliver Ho

Native songs, prayers and stories played to over 400 people on the front lawn of the legislature Monday as part of a national rally in support of native rights.

A Victoria group, Concerned Citizens for Aboriginal Rights, organised the rally in response to a request from the Assembly of First Nations.

Similar demonstrations took place across the country in order to coincide with the opening of federal parliament.

The rally opened and closed with native prayers and support songs.

"The Mohawks will receive amnesty for forcing the government to do its job"

About 10 speakers, native and non-native, addressed the crowd over the 90 minute rally, but special meetings in Vancouver kept many noted local native speakers too busy to attend.

"It was people speaking to people," said John Shafer, representative for the Concerned Citzens.

Their speeches ranged from personal stories to histories of the various struggles for native rights in Canada.

Alex Jamieson, another representative from Concerned Citizens, said the rally was in conjunction with the group's long range goal of educating the public about native rights and issues.

"People thought the real battle was in Oka but it's not ... it's in educating the public."

He said the Mohawks at the Kahnawake and Kanasatake reserves in Quebec had asked for the government to deal with their land claim since 1783.

The Mohawks tried to go through the legal system, he said, but the government's legal policy "seems to change every other day."

The government put up obstacles that lead to the Mohawks' frustration, "so to take up arms was the only way to get any sort of recognition," he said.

"If we don't put up a struggle it's a slow death of government handouts."

As well, he said the government ignores significant problems at reserves, such as pollution, and as a result, natives have the highest amount of mercury poisoning in the country.

"If it has come to this (taking action to get recognition) ... then the Mohawks will receive amnesty for forcing the government to do its job."

To close the rally, the crowd held hands and formed a huge circle that encompassed the entire front lawn of the legislature to sing a native prayer.

The Concerned Citizens group is gathering signatures for a petition they will send to the Prime Minister demanding the troops' withdrawal

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SUB beer stolen

by Sherryl Yeager

Everyone dreads Monday, the beginning of the work week. But apparently that's not the case for thieves working the university.

On Monday the Student Union Building was broken into for the third time this year. All three break-ins took place in the early morning hours of a Monday.

This time, $450 worth of alcohol was taken from the outdoor cooler behind the SUB, said Brian Webster, the SUB's administrative co-ordinator.

Included in the thieves' take were three full kegs of beer. The $450 is a wholesale price, Webster said, the loss in revenue is much higher.

"People seem to see our building as a place to come to if they want something," Webster said. "It seems Monday morning is an Achilles heel for this building."

Cash has been stolen in previous robberies in August and February this year.

Prices for alarm systems are being gathered as a result of the break-ins, he said.

In the most recent robbery, the thieves took the doorhandle to the cooler apart to bypass the padlock.

A Traffic and Security patrol saw one suspect near the Commons Block at about 4 a.m. in the morning. The suspect ran away from them, leaving behind two dozen Molsen Canadian and a six-pack of Tuborg Imported, said Ken Marrison, assistant manager/Security with T and S.

The bottles were ice cold, which prompted the patrol to search for

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NEWS

Rotating strikes disrupt colleges in Vancouver

VANCOUVER (CUP) — Striking support workers are staging rotating walkouts at Vancouver Community College's three campuses.

The striking union represents clerical and cafeteria workers, as well as instructional assistants and computer operators at the college.

The rotating strikes, which have disrupted classes at the three campuses, will continue until demands are met, said union president Michael Carney.

The major unresolved issue in the dispute involves wages. The union is demanding about 10 per cent in each year of a two-year contract, and the college is offering eight per cent each year. Union members are currently paid between $10 and $21 an hour, plus benefits.

A strike by instructors at the college last spring threatened classes at the end of the term, and with the current year barely started, the spectre of more labour disruptions looms over the heads of students.

VCC student council chair Tracey Weneberg said students want a quick and fair settlement for the support staff.

"It all goes back to the underfunding of post-secondary education in B.C.," Weneberg said. "Students are forced into conditions which are not good enough and the support staff is overworked."

The union has promised to give students advance warning of strike actions.

"One of the things we decided is that we are going to give students as much warning as we can," Carney said. "We really sympathize with those students who commute in from outside Vancouver only to find classes have been cancelled."

So far, no decision to lock out the workers has been made, said Paul Gallagher, president of the college.

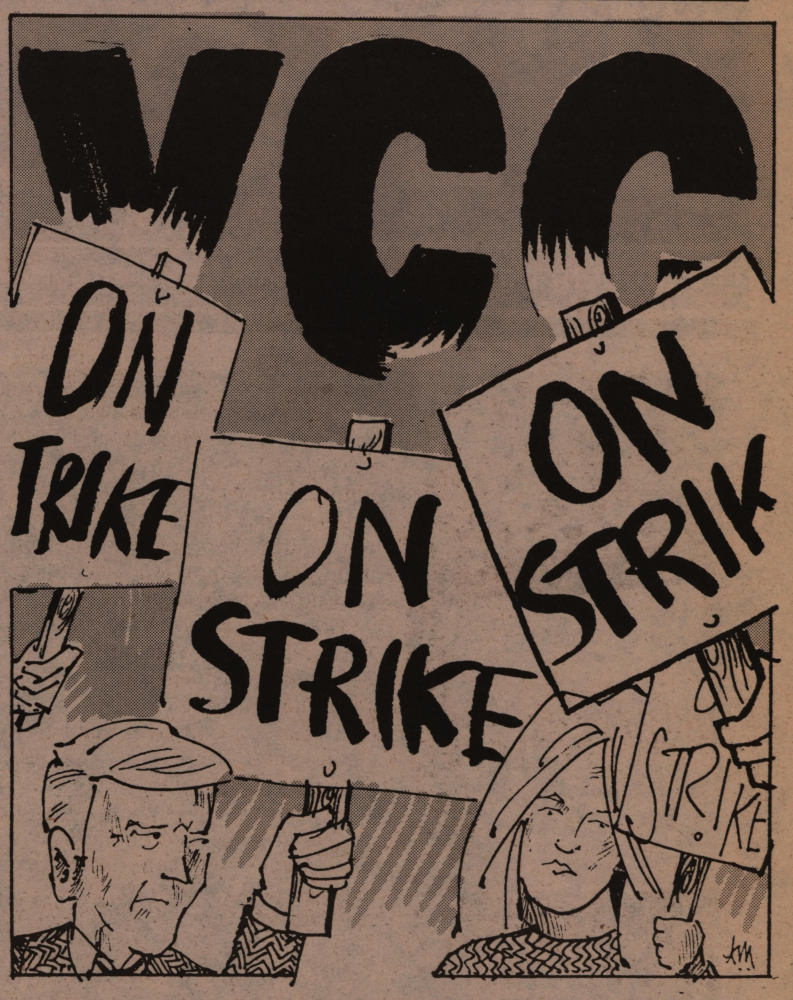
"At this point in the game, we do not know. What we are trying to do is limit the disruption to students. We have not served a lockout notice."

Some faculty members have declared their support for the striking workers, and have announced they will not cross picket lines.

Michael Sharzer, a teacher's union official, said most teachers support the strike.

"We'll be there. We'll be on the line with picket signs supporting them," he said.

"We voted 99.4 per cent in favour of honouring all legal picket lines. As long as they're out there, so are we." □



Native rights rally

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from the Kanahwake and Kanasatake reserves.

Shafer said they have 5,000 signatures already, with a promise for 10,000 more from the Catholic Office of Social Justice.

Public response to the petition, and to the Citizens group it self, has been overwhelmingly good, he said.

Jamieson said there has even been talk of the group "going national" because there is no other group like them in the country (whose majority are non-natives).

"This is more of a non-native problem than a native one," said Shafer. "It's the oldest human rights struggle in Canada and it is virtually unknown." □

Thieves successful

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their source. They discovered the open cooler door.

Marrison said the suspect was a slim, tall male in his mid-20's, with medium length hair and wearing dark clothes.

It is believed more than one individual is involved, however, because kegs weigh 35 kilograms (80 pounds) and three of them were stolen.

"It's either a very healthy individual or somebody had help," said Marrison.

The door has been repaired so a similar method can't be used to gain entry, Webster said.

The robbery is now under investigation by Saanich police. No one has been charged in the break-ins which took place earlier this year. □

Women rally in solidarity

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support each other in solidarity and empower ourselves," said Alto.

Violence and sexual assault against women on the streets as well as in the home is the focus of the rally.

"Stop and think a moment how unsafe we are as women and children in our homes. Men we know will assault us too," said marshall Mary Cassellman. Eighty per cent of rapes occur in the home.

The march was led by a banner saying, "Sexist Racist Anti-Gay Tor· Government Go Away!"

Although the energy was flowing and the turnout was high, the march was not as loud as last year's rally.

At the Legislature the women listened to more speakers, and had a minute of silence in memory of those who have suffered abuse. This was followed by a cheer for the survivors of abuse.

"128 assualts were reported last year in Victoria. This year the number is 143 and we know that's just a fraction," said Susanne Klausen, former UVic Students' Society president and a Green Party candidate in the Victoria municipal elections.

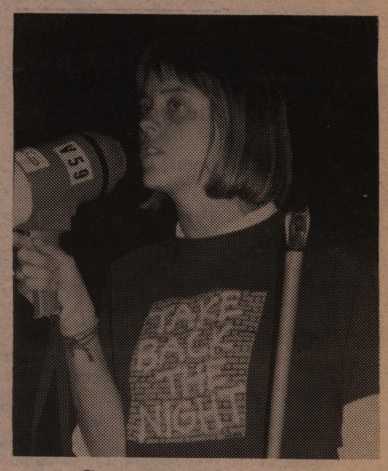
"I think the municipality should put some money into our lives. It should be providing self-defence courses for women. It should be subsidizing taxi rides home after dark for women," said Klausen.

"This happens in Germany, it can happen here," she said, adding she has begun petitions calling for these things.

"For God's sake, put your name down if you think you are worth a bit of money from this city," said Klausen.

Another event slightly marred the rally, when a man stood behind the gates barring the entry to the Parliament buildings, took off his clothes and made lewd gestures at the crowd.

While the women were still gathered at Centennial Square, a song was sung about the Dec. 6 massacre in Montreal. It was written by two women who felt the mainstream media didn't give adequate coverage to the event.



Susanne Klausen

"'We're only women,' they said before they died . . . I woke in the morning to find women were dying — while committing the act of living their lives . . . we wear the wounds forever of despair . . . We're only women, we will survive." □

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NEWS

Classrooms full across BC

Campuses turn away 10,000 students

VANCOUVER (CUP) — Over 10,000 students have been turned away from British Columbia colleges and universities this month, according to the Canadian Federation of Students.

"Ten thousand turn aways is a conservative estimate," said Brad Lavigne, CFS's British Columbia region chair. "These are people on waiting lists. The number doesn't even address the people who called up and were scared off when told there were no spaces available."

The study, based on information from registrars, reports from students and student council surveys, is full of horror stories:

At Cariboo College in Kamloops, the list of students on waiting lists trying to get any courses at all is two inches thick. Some student services, such as tutoring, have been forced to move off campus because of the need for classroom space.

North Vancouver's Capilano College is already issuing applications to students wanting to enter in September 1991.

The University of Victoria's telephone registration system is so swamped with calls that the city's phone lines are being jammed. Several fine arts professors there, are using raffles to limit the sizes of their classes.

And, at the Langara campus of Vancouver Community College, 1,000 students have signed a petition saying they had been unable to get any of the courses they wanted. About 2,500 students said they only got one or two of the courses they needed.

"This government will have to move post-secondary education to the top of the agenda," Lavigne said. "It will take an overhaul of the funding system for post-secondary education in B.C. to alleviate these problems."

For his part, advanced education minister Bruce Strachan said the provincial government is doing what it can to deal with the problem.

"We have committed from the year 1989 to 1995 $690 million in expenditures to provide undergraduate spaces over and above natural increases to 15,000 more students," he said. "We recognize that there is a tremendous amount of pressure on our colleges and universities and we are providing that space now."

NDP education critic Barry Jones said the crisis in accessibility means "there are a lot of talented young people unable to get into colleges and universities in B.C."

"There hasn't been an increase in institutional capacity," he said. "Yes, there is building, but its primarily to replace and overhaul aged facilities."

He said the planned 15,000 new spaces will only match the natural enrollment growth of B.C. based on population trends.

"They're just jamming more students into the same facilities when they should be building more," he said. □

Women's Centre blows whistle on crime prevention program

by Amei Parkes

The credibility of the WhisteStop crime prevention program is being questioned by the UVic Women's Centre.

"If I were jumped, would I think about grabbing a whistle?" said centre member Susanne Klausen.

Women and men blow a whistle if they are victim to crime or if they witness a crime. The crime could be auto theft, sexual assault or breaking and entering.

"We teach people on campus to call 911 when they hear a whistle," said Ken Marrison, the assistant manager/security for Traffic and Security.

"We will then respond and investigate," he said.

Members of the Womens' Centre see the program differently.

"The Whistlestop program puts the onus on women," said centre member Jodi Jensen.

Marrison is aware of the Women's Centres' concerns, and said "The WhistleStop program is not directed at women. It is for crime prevention for men and women. Sexual assault is one aspect."

It is not the program itself the women disagree with, it is the indirect way it approaches sexual assualt.

"The Whistlestop program is not inherently a bad thing," admitted Marne Jensen, a member of the UVic Campus Safety Committee.

"If it stops one rape, then it's worth it, but most assaults take place at home. Most victims know their assailants. There are 'stranger' rapes, but the number of acquaintances rapes is not comparable."

She said the Women's Centre does not completely agree with the program, but will use it as a means to voice the program's weaknesses.

Marrison said, "Women need to take steps to avoid problems. We all grow up with stereotypes. We've got to change those attitudes."

The Women's Centre agrees, but says a catalyst is required to encourage changing attitudes.

"Why aren't they holding seminars for men? asked Alex Hotsenpiller of the Women's Centre.

"They should put money into forums so men and women can talk about sexual assault," said Marne Jensen. "And money into self-defense courses."

Marrison refuted this and said, "You can't force people to attend seminars. A whistle is a pretty cheap investment for your safety.

"It's not enough when a woman's only recourse is a whistle," said the Women's Centre. □

Mark Neufeld leaves VP position for band

by Sherryl Yeager

Student politician Mark Neufeld has resigned from his position as vice president services of the Students' Society to pursue musical interests.

Neufeld gave notice of his resignation to the Monday night Board of Directors meeting, to take effect Oct. 18.

"Certain aspects of my life are going very well right now, specifically music," said Neufeld in an interview.

"I need to make sure that I have time and energy to give to that part of my life, as well as others, like finishing school," he said.

"Although I really enjoy doing my job, and I'm going to miss it, I didn't feel I could do the job of VP Services that I should be doing, given the things that are going on right now and are becoming more and more a part of my life."

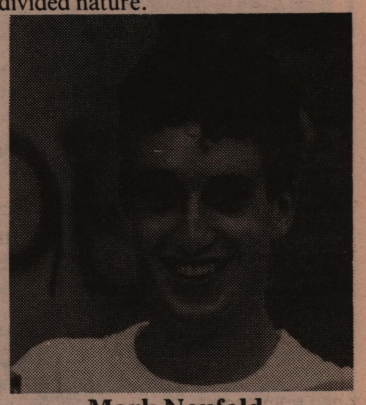
Neufeld said a band he has played in for a number of years, the Handprints, has "essentially been discovered."

They may be doing a recording, as well as a video and are meeting with Terry David Mulligan next month to discuss the possibility of appearing on Much Music.

Neufeld's vacancy will be filled in the October 17 - 18 by-election being held by the Society to fill four director positions created this spring.

He beat out rival candidate Ken Heigh by 100 votes in an election that saw all the positions hotly contested last spring.

The decision to resign had very little to do with other members of the Board of Directors and its politically divided nature.



Mark Neufeld

"If it was great I would quit, if it was shitty I would quit," he said.

"There are members of the board who are using their position for something other than working for students' benefit. I don't think that's what being on the BoD is about," said Neufeld. "I would encourage students to try and find out what's really going on on the board. If they knew they could really make a difference," said Neufeld.

The VP Services organises events on campus and overseas university clubs, amongst other duties. □

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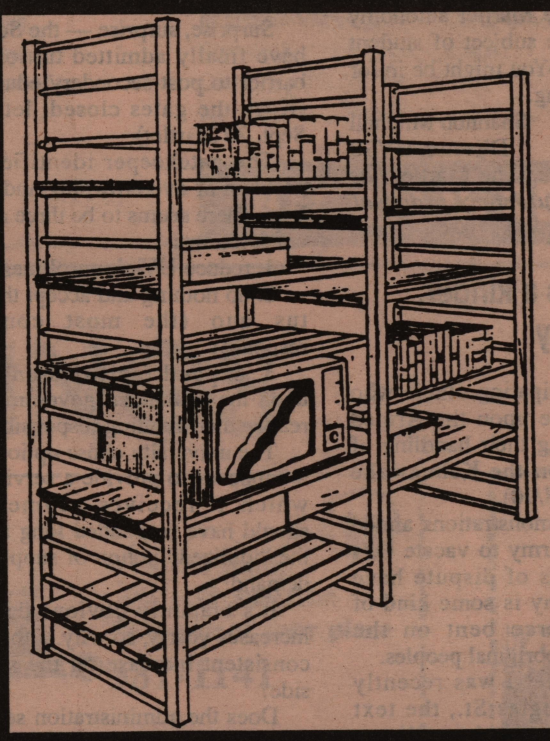

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EDITORIAL

Denying freedom

This will be a stretch:

Imagine a world where people are persecuted for speaking their minds.

Where rocks are thrown at them, people jeer and yell at them from the side of the road, or armies are called in to suppress them.

It must be difficult to imagine this, of course, because things like that don't happen here, in Canada, land of the cultural mosaic and champions of human rights.

Yeah, right.

Unless you decide to speak out loudly about something you believe in, something that goes against the status quo. Then you'd better keep your head low to the ground and watch for flying stones.

On Friday night 800 women took a stand and walked through the streets of Victoria to take back the night. They were met with the usual assortment of jeers and cheers from the sides of the street.

At the Legislature lawns, however, where they milled around and listened to speakers, a woman was struck in the head with a rock. That rock could have just as easily hit one of the many children in the crowd.

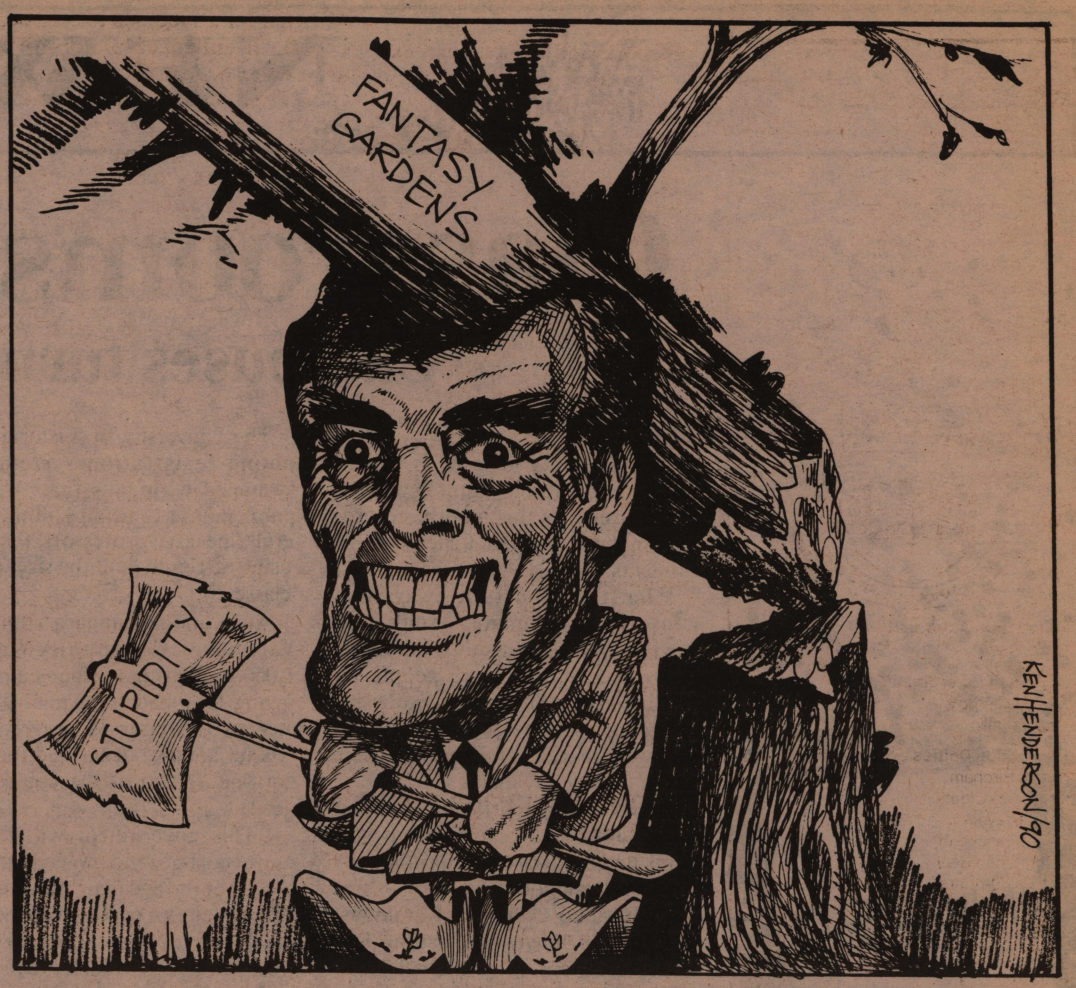
A similar situation arose a few weeks ago in a dispute in Kahnawake and Kahnesatake between native people and frustrated commuters.

Stones were thrown while Quebec police stood by and watched, and one burst the windshield of a car, hitting a man in the chest and narrowly missing an infant.

People have a right to protest, to speak, to voice opinions, and to try to make someone notice them and their problems. How they choose to do that, whether by marching through the streets or erecting a barricade, must be respected if it is not endangering anyone.

Using violence to deny other people freedom of expression is abhorent.

Apparently it is also becoming a common event in this country, and that is truly a national disaster.



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Student disagrees with debate

Editors:

The current debate about the UVSS Board of Directors' involvement with international issues has gotten out of hand.

The problem started with a request from one of our clubs, (WUSC) to write a letter to the Nigerian military dictator requesting he stop persecuting his citizenry.

Some Board members objected to the issue being raised as they do not consider it a student issue. Let's set the record straight — the concerns of any student on this campus is the concern of the BOD.

The point has been made it is a waste of time to write a letter asking a dictator to stop killing.

This is wrong. Why not invest the time it takes to sign a form letter, (provided by WUSC), just in case. If one life is saved it's worth the five seconds.

I do however, disagree with the amount of time directors spend discussing motions like this. Some directors feel it is necessary to speak for five minutes after the Board heard a 10 minute presentation.

Since it seems the BOD wants to be consulted when I initiate projects, I could use support on my attempt to eliminate differential fees for foreign students.

It's been promised by many a candidate, but quickly forgotten after the election.

George Pringle

Director wants rude awakening

Editors:

To the Martlet staff: I suggest you recheck the Martlet autonomy proposal on the subject of student body elections. You might be in for a rude awakening.

Shannon Mitchell
Director, UVSS

Editors' Note: The Martlet *has not made an autonomy proposal since 1984.*

Canada has a kinder, gentler army

Editors:

I write anticipating others who will heap abuse upon the Armed Forces regarding their handling of the situation on the Kahnawake reserve (Sept. 18/90).

Recently, demonstrations aimed at forcing the army to vacate Oka and other areas of dispute have implied the army is some kind of malevolent force bent on the destruction of aboriginal peoples.

In a pamphlet I was recently handed on Douglas St., the text indicated absurdly the military presence at Oka was an act "tantamount to genocide."

Genocide involves the physical liquidation of a group or race of people, not the mainly passive role the military has maintained up to this point.

The footage I saw on the news yesterday showed our army is capable of acting under model restraint even under severe provocation.

What I saw was a pack of pubescent hoodlums teamed with various throwbacks attempting to provoke the soldiers into demonstrating they are the stormtroopers these Indian activist groups claim they are.

In any other country this would not be stood for.

In some countries these people would be hanging from lampposts by their Columbian neckties for even thinking about indulging in such an unlawful activity.

Instead, we saw a military force act with only as much force as necessary to defend themselves and minimize injury.

Those who were horrified by this action should be thankful we have an army that remains both composed in adversity and sensitive to the consequences of their actions. They should also be thankful these "protestors" received only a taste of teargas instead of a "whiff of grapeshot."

K.A. Friend

Student says gates hurt

Editors:

Surprise, surprise — the Socreds have finally admitted tuition is a barrier to post-secondary education (Keep the gates closed, letter in Sept. 20 Martlet).

The gatekeeper identified the problem of overcrowding and waitlists. There seems to be three apparent solutions:

1. reduce UVic's enrollment
2. do nothing and accept the status quo (the most common response)
3. expand facilities and call upon the provincial government to realize their funding responsibility.

The university chose option 2. If it supposes to provide a service for which it receives payment, it should have responded long ago to the "idolized" notion of supply and demand.

It's blatantly obvious demand increases yearly, so why is there no consistent increase on the supply side?

Does the administration see students as inelastic? Why do they take our money without remorse or conscience?

The gatekeeper targets frivolous registry and irresponsible attendance as a serious problem. Perhaps frivolous absconding of federal transfer payments and irresponsible decision making should be of a higher concern.

It's the student gatekeepers of the Socred government who allow the educational crisis to perpetuate on campus. The gatekeepers should look where they're standing -- before the gates come crashing down.

Remember — GATES HURT.

Jim Rutkowski

Collective stupidity hurts, too

Editors:

Much to my delight I have become a target of a witch hunt engineered by some campus "right wingers" in last week's *Martlet*. I am responding to the most essential misconceptions espoused in this collective diatribe.

The UVSS Board motion passed, restricting the use of director's titles to Board work only, is necessary due to continued misuse (see right wing petitions around campus).

Board members are elected by the merits of their platforms, or the amounts of political mud they heave. All directors contribute to the democratic decision making process; the misuse of titles undermines this process.

If the BOD is not to serve as a decision making body, why shouldn't every member on campus become an individual UVSS?

In regards to the letter equating cars to tuition; why was an either/or argument put forth at all? Education benefits all of society.

Tuition fees are user fees which are intended to limit access to those in low socioeconomic groups, similar to the user fees the Socreds put on healthcare.

While all groups in society fund education, some are faced with economic barriers to participation. Access should be based on merit, not on affluence.

I would disagree with Troy DeSouza the Socreds have anything to do with liberty and freedom, other than in the "market."

I do not discriminate against any group; I have difficulty tolerating groups practicing discrimination.

I was elected on a progressive platform and do not feel I should be discriminated against for having no party affiliation, or I should be the brunt of Troy's confusion.

Hate does hurt, Troy, and being involved in a special interest group should be a result of commitment to the cause, not for political expediency.

Your involvement in the Socreds, and lack of involvement in UVSS activities, is indicative of your priorities.

Gary Hartford
Member, UVSS
CFS-44

Free tuition is no free ride

Editors:

What is all this talk about how zero tuition means a free ride for students?

Last time I checked, I had to pay my rent. B.C. Hydro wants my bill paid, as does the oil company. That $30,00 student loan I have accumulated (and the interest on it) is not going to be forgiven.

The taxes I paid the several years I spent in the work force before entering school, and the decades of taxes I will pay after I graduate is all real money.

Even without the burden of tuition, I'll pay, believe me. I'll pay.

My father was raised with the 50s work ethic: he always says to me, "You don't get something for nothing."

And I have never asked for something for nothing. I am willing to work hard to get through this place.

I will study, I will do research, I will contribute.

It is heartening to see other students admit the floodgates will open if tuition is abolished.

A floodgate of poor people. Then the competition will be based on grades, not money.

Oh, and anyone who thinks education only benefits the individual should start reading her/his textbooks.

Kelley Abeysinghe

Only you should pay for education

Editors:

Since classes started a little over three weeks ago, there has been a number of letters in the *Martlet* dealing with tuition fees, or potentially lack of them.

In light of this, I feel it is necessary to point out a few facts which several students, especially those active in the CFS, who have seemingly turned a blind eye.

While it is true society will benefit from the higher education of an individual, it is also true the individual benefits as well (via job

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prospects and higher income).

The logic used is the equivalent of a trickle down theory (the better educated the populace is, the more advanced the society will be, resulting in the whole of society being better off).

At its maximum, there would be a 50-50 split between society and individuals. Here's the clincher: students pay only about 15 percent of the cost of education.

In addition, studies by the Fraser Institute show about 70 per cent of the students in post secondary education are from upper middle class backgrounds. The question here is who actually benefits from post secondary education?

Education is a service which should be bought and sold, with the user's money not the taxpayer's.

Does someone else pay for your rent? your food? Most likely not.

And neither should anyone other than YOU pay for YOUR education.

Steven Wellburn

Men working against hate

Editors:

I have recently joined the Men Against Rape group on campus. Statistics and incidents I have been exposed to at UVic made me realise the misogyny on campus has to stop.

The fact one in four women is sexually assaulted should tell men "enough is enough;" these are your mothers, sisters and partners.

The Women's Centre has played an outstanding educational role on campus, initiating positive changes. We, as men, cannot suggest to women how they should deal with our sexism.

Rather, we can help to inform ourselves about sexual assault and harassment, and what it means to women.

In your day to day life: don't harass women at work or on the street; don't tell jokes that hurt or insult women, and ask your friends to do likewise. Remember that a woman is not your property and all women should be given the consideration of equals.

Before you do something violent: leave, calm down, talk to a friend, vent your anger on something that does not feel. Listen to what a woman says about how she feels — don't react angrily, just take it into account and respond.

Stop violence against women.

Russ Williams

Clarifying the Triumf-Kaon

Editors:

It is unfortunate some directors of the UVSS believe the myths surrounding the TRIUMF-KAON Project it was asked to support.

This proposed expansion of Canada's national particle physics laboratory is a project of national significance based in Western Canada, with huge spin-off potential for all regions of the country.

It enhances the discoveries in diverse areas of science achieved at TRIUMF, a Canadian-built and -designed cyclotron, the world's largest such facility.

The myth is this project will drain the federal science budget.

The backers of TRIUMF-KAON, however, have consistently maintained the federal contribution should come from new monies, not from previously-earmarked funds.

Other science projects need not suffer.

Finally, it should be stressed the federal commitment, which the UVSS is considering, is only part of the cost of this project.

B.C. has committed significant resources to it. Eight other countries (including Japan, West Germany, and the U.K.) are considering a commitment of $200 million. The Soviet Union is also giving serious thought to its participation.

Clearly, the world is saying "yes" to a Canadian project of enormous quality and potential.

It is time for the federal government to say "yes," too. UVSS support, which would join that already given by all 10 premiers, Mike Harcourt, B.C. M.P.s of all parties and the leading scientists of all G-7 nations, is needed and appreciated.

Russ Brown

What Choice really means

Editors:

The struggles surrounding abortion clinics and laws blur the inherent meaning of "choice."

Choice means universal access to safe, free abortion procedures, like every other medical procedure. Women always have and always will seek abortion to control reproduction despite legal and economic barriers. The deaths of hundreds of thousands of women yearly provide us with tragic testimony to this fact.

Choice means universal access to free, safe birth control. The dangerous side-effects of the pill and I.U.D. (ironically these are the most effective), are simply not acceptable.

Choice means universal access to daycare. There is no choice when daycare is scarce and women make only 60 cents for every male dollar. dollar. This is a student issue, as too many female students had their post-secondary education interrupted or halted altogether by the obstacles and hardships forced upon women who seek abortions.

Choice means wage-equity. Until this happens, women and their families will remain trapped beneath the poverty line. One out of five children in Canada lives in poverty.

Pro-choice means working for all of these goals so women have a real choice when they decide whether or not to have children. See you on October 13, National Day of Action, at the Legislature.

Marne Jensen

Student believes abortion is murder

Editors:

I would like to take a moment to express my great disappointment with Mr. Hass' letter. (Martlet, Sept. 20) The sarcastic manner in which he dealt with Laura Walsh's religious beliefs was at best distasteful.

Because Walsh approaches abortion from a Biblical perspective, Hass felt it in his heart to write in and make light of her faith.

Mr. Hass, just because you cannot understand the logic of the Bible, that does not make the use of the Bible "abhorrent to rational thinkers everywhere." Abortion is murder — there's no other way to see it.

To abort the fetus is to murder a human being, a sacred human life. I'm truly sorry you cannot see abortion as matter of life and death, because to the child in the womb, that's just what it is.

"For the foolishness of God is wiser than man's wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than man's strength."

"But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong."

(I Corinthians 1:25,27)

Shawn Boonstra

Anti-choice is about control

Editors:

Let she/he who is without sin cast the first stone.

Yes, abortion is a matter of life and death. That is the rationale behind keeping abortion safe and legal instead of making the procedure unsafe and illegal.

Every year 200,000 women die from back alley abortions worldwide.

Yes, abortion is a choice made by the woman herself as she is the person responsible for carrying and raising the child.

No one can control another person's behaviour through guilt, coercion, verbal battering or physically preventing individuals from gaining control over their own personal lifes.

The sooner anti-choice people accept that fact the better off we'll all be.

Anti-choice is not about saving lives, it's about controlling women by denying them basic health care.

In Canada, one in five children lives below the poverty line. Let's work together to create a society where children are welcome.

The Women's Centre Collective

Path walker challenges students

Editors:

I have just returned from my usual walk along the "Alumni Chip Trip" where I was stopped by a gardener who informed me a section of the original trail on the south-east corner of the "gardens" was no longer a pathway.

It was very difficult to hear him because the chain-saws and tree shredders were busily chewing up yet another section of the university woods.

"Why has the path been closed?"

"They come in here on their bicycles!"

Front end loaders, sawdust makers, lawn mowers, tractors, gardeners chopping out roots and bushes — great! Bicycles (one a week)? Never!

I believe if one wants to work to stop the destruction of our environment one should start small, so I challenge the faculty and students of this university to prevent any further removal of the university's one truly unique factor — the woods.

This is indeed your back yard.

Marjorie Martens

Letters not appearing this week were held for space reasons.

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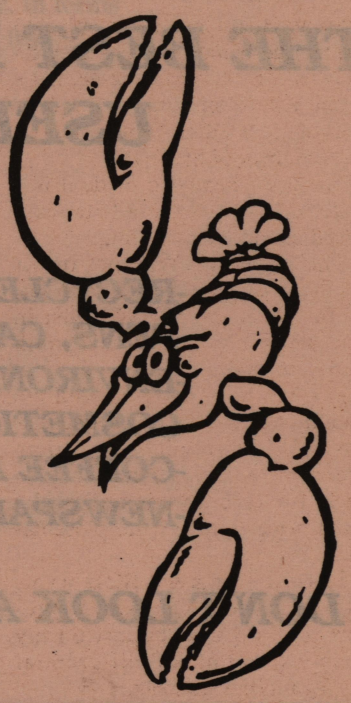

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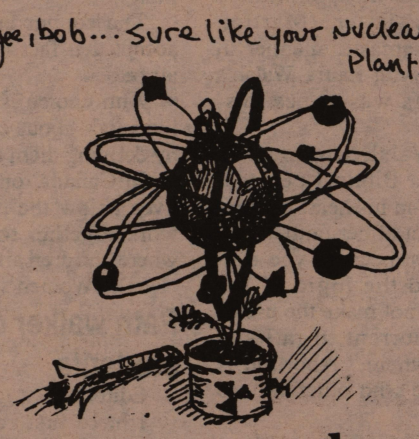


Campus research group "raising its flag" this year

by Keitha Stockand

The Vancouver Island Public Interest Research Group is out to make waves on campus and in the community after a year-long hiatus.

The group kept a low profile for the past year because of internal organization needed after separation from B.C. PIRG in October 1988.

"This year we have strong internal staff organization so we're raising our flag," said Michael Brown, board member and spokesperson for the group.

Recycling on campus, housing, women's issues and transportation are four of the group's focuses for 1990-91. Students are invited to join committees to address these issues.

"We are at the point where the projects are just ready to happen and we just need students to help make them work," said Wendy Baker, board member and spokesperson.

The projects themselves will alter depending on the number of people involved and the direction the committee decides to take.

Community Research Needs is a new pilot project focusing on women's studies. A student is currently out in the community looking into organizations and the kinds of research they need done.

The information gathered from the community will be presented to women's studies students as options for class research assignments.

Although this year women's studies is the only department on campus benefiting from this project, other departments such as sociology, geography, environmental studies and law will be involved in future years.

"The whole idea is to teach students to be more effective in the world we're a part of," said Brown. "We provide the link for students to the community's research needs."

Baker also stressed the importance of not creating papers in an academic void.

"How many people need to write about *Jane Eyre*? Students can do research that makes an impact on the community."

VIPIRG, like research groups across North America, is composed mostly of student volunteers. There is a full-time executive director and a part-time representative. Five students are also involved in research through the work study program.

Entering its second year as an autonomous organization, VIPIRG is appealing to the students of UVic to take action on issues. All UVic students are members of VIPIRG. $2.50 is tacked onto student fees which goes to the group to fund research and meet costs of publishing material.

Jampolsky asks UVSS to back megaproject

by Oliver Ho

Howard Jampolsky wants to send a letter to the Prime Minister in support of a proposed $693 million addition to a particle accelerator at the University of British Columbia.

But there is disagreement among the Student's Society board of directors as to the value of sending a letter, and some members feel Jampolsky, president of the Society, is simply wasting their time.

"It's a project which is of use to the University of Victoria," said Jampolsky. "I think it's a positive project that can get support from the Student's Society."

The project, called Triumf-Kaon, will add on to the Triumf particle accelerator at UBC. The addition is called the Kaon factory, and it will further accelerate particles so they approach the speed of light.

The provincial government and the United States will each contribute about $200 million, which leaves close to $300 million for the federal government to raise. The proposal is still before the federal science cabinet.

Jampolsky brought the issue to the Society's Board of Directors meeting late in August, but it has since been pushed ahead to the Oct. 1 meeting because Jampolsky and the directors are waiting for more information.

Some directors objected to having the matter come to the board.

Director Oona Padgham said Jampolsky was "arbitrarily giving out support.

"(And) I don't really know if they are going to care about a letter of support from the Students' Society."

Director Claire Heffernan also questioned the need of a letter of support for such a project.

"It's really a distraction," she said. "We want more information. We've never seen anything concrete about this project.

"Does (Howard) really have so little to do?"

Jampolsky received a letter from the provincial government "on a personal basis asking for a letter of support."

"It's not so much a show of support," said the president. "I think a personal letter on Student Society letterhead carries a lot more weight than a petition. I think the support we can give to our own people on campus . . . is the real support.

Howard Jampolsky

"It's more the support for our own people . . . as opposed to how much weight our letter will carry with the Prime Minister."

Padgham and Heffernan each researched the Triumf-Kaon proposal briefly, and found there has been some opposition to it from within the science community.

"It takes a lot of money," said Padgham. "It's really abstract and only benefits a small number of people."

She said Ursula Franklin, a nuclear physicist in Toronto who has been on the National Research Council, told her the council turned down the project for the past four to five years.

As well, she said Franklin told her the project would take 60-80 per cent of federal funds set aside for university physics research and benefit only five per cent of university physicists.

Heffernan said the project has received opposition because it requires "too much money going into one area to the detriment of other research."

Mike Craddock, deputy project leader at the Kaon office, said the National Research Council turned down the project in 1986 after a joint study between the Council, and the Natural Science and Research Council.

"They concluded . . . if the two councils had to pay for it out of their own funds with no increase in funding then it would damage good, ongoing research," he said.

"It wasn't in any sense a rejection," said Erich Vogt, director of Triumf. "They basically said 'not yes now.'"

Vogt said the promise of the project has been enough to draw top physicists to UBC and UVic because it is a world-class facility providing something many people usually have to travel abroad to use.

"Even though it's a big project, most of the work is done by university professors with grad students."

He said there should be a letter sent to the Prime Minister.

"I personally believe what the young people are saying is important. They have a stake in the future, and I think the politicians sense that. I think the vision resides with the young."

Alan Astbury, a physics professor at UVic, led the study that produced the Kaon proposal.

The study went from July 1988 to Feb. 1990, and he submitted the proposal to the federal government this year in May.

He said one of the reasons he came to UVic was its closeness to the Triumf accelerator.

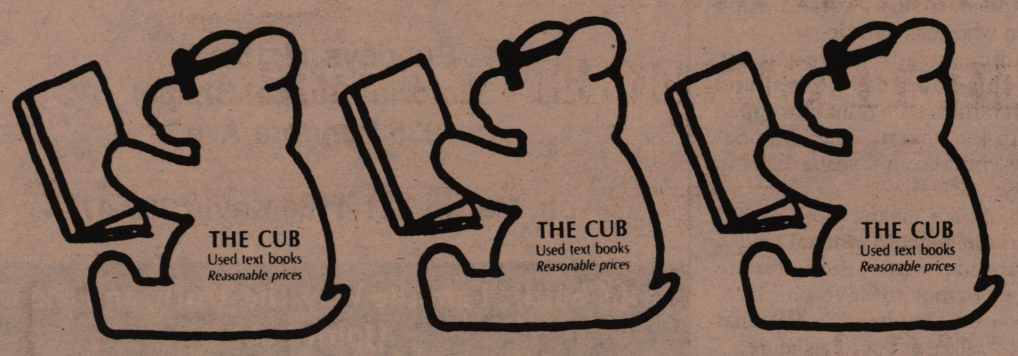
There has been a group at the university (including about 12 students) who regularly use the Triumf facility, and Astbury said the group would grow if the Kaon factory is added.

He said he is for the plan to send a support letter to the Prime Minister because "I've been told they work in this country."

"(But) I am personally not a great believer in letter-writing campaigns."

Astbury said the argument that the project will give too much support to one discipline of physics and take away from others "distorts" the issue.

"It is a poor argument unless you can put up the competition. The federal government only responds to proposals. There should be more intense competition for money." □



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BoD LANGUAGE

by Sherryl Yeager

The whereabouts of President Howard Jampolsky and keeping election promises were debated with vigor at the Students' Society's Monday night meeting.

Students look for President

Students looking for leadership are asking, "Where's Howie?"

Students have been complaining President Howard Jampolsky is not doing his job and is unavailable, said Director Val Hemminger.

Hemminger brought forward a motion requesting more extensive participation from the president in the Students' Society's activities created some debate before it was tabled for next week's meeting.

"I felt this was really important, because in the Resource Centre, and amongst students on campus, I've heard complaints that you're not available," Hemminger said. "Quite honestly, I don't see a lot of stuff happening from your position, but I see lots from (the other three executives).

"This could reflect on your statement that someone can do the executive job in three or four hours a week," said Elizabeth Loughran, vice-president academic.

"I never said three or four hours a week," said Jampolsky.

Jampolsky was quoted in the July 13 issue of *Campus Expose*, a publication produced by student senator George Pringle, as saying his job "if done efficiently only takes a few hours a week."

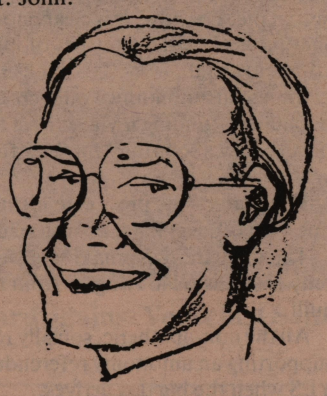
In the preamble to the motion, Hemminger cited lack of participation by Jamoplsky in the production and distribution of the student handbook and Week of Welcome. It also noted the door to Jampolsky's office is frequently closed.

Jampolsky refuted these arguments and said, "If I choose to keep my door closed while I'm in office for this one year, that's my perogative. People can knock on my door and I will answer it.

"I will take directives from the board, when and if I am asked," said Jampolsky, "but this doesn't say anything specific and I think it's a question period matter, at best."

The motion was tabled to next week because the meeting was running late.

Affirmative action is like apartheid, according to director Cameron St. John.



Equal rights is apartheid

"Affirmative action is in fact bigotry and discrimination. How can you support affirmative action and then disapprove of apartheid?" St. John asked Director Val Hemminger during question period.

Hemminger refuted his question, and said, "In a truly free society, where everyone is treated as equal, you do have a society that doesn't discriminate. Until you get to that place in society, where people are viewed on their own merits as individuals, policies like affirmative action are necessary to balance it out."

"So you believe in discriminating against other people on the basis of race, gender, sex and religion," St. John asked.

Executive Elizabeth Loughran asked St. John if he had ever studied affirmative action in depth, and he said he was familiar with the concepts of affirmative action.

Last week a similar argument arose during question period, when St. John said he believed affirmative action was discrimination and refused to apologise to board members who protested the remark.

Election pledges questioned

Who's fooling who?, Director Susan Albion wanted Director Troy DeSouza to tell her.

DeSouza ran on a campaign of non-partisanship last year in the elections but has since admitted to membership in the Social Credit Party.

"During your election campaign you said it was important to be non-partisan. Do you feel you are fulfilling your election mandate?" she asked DeSouza.

"When I ran in the election, I had no political affiliations. Subsequent to the election I became involved with the Socreds largely because they asked me to," said DeSouza.

"What I understood you to say during the elections was it was better if people were non-partisan. Now you are partisan . . . are you fulfilling your campaign mandate?" she repeated.

DeSouza replied, "I still firmly believe I am fulfilling my campaign pledge by not using partisan politics."

Director now PC President

Performance on the board and political affiliations were also an issue for Director Shannon Dolphin.

Dolphin said she was elected president of the PC Youth on Monday when questioned by student Anne McKinnell.

"Yes, I wasn't going to bring it up," said Dolphin. "I'm quite proud."

"Will your commitment to the PC Youth affect your performance on this board?" McKinnell asked her.

"I think anything does. Any extracurricular activities do, but I don't think it will affect my performance on the board," said Dolphin.

Socred ties subject of debate

Double booking raised the question of priorities for some board members.

The overlap of a Young Socred Social and the lecture by Stephen Lewis last Tuesday night brought Directors Troy DeSouza and Cameron St. John, under scrutiny for helping out with the Socred event rather than a UVSS project.

"Considering we're supposed to be working together as a group, don't you think it was slightly irresponsible to book an event for the same night the board is paying $5,000 for a booked event?" asked Elizabeth Loughran, vice-president academic.

DeSouza replied the speaking date for Stephen Lewis had been set after the social was booked, and he had already agreed to help St. John with the social.

"Are you saying your commitment was to the Young Socred Social and Cameron St. John before a UVSS event?" Mark Neufeld, vice-president services, asked DeSouza. "Are those your priorities and will they continue to be for the rest of the year?"

St. John, president of the UVic Young Socred club, said he had not known the date for Stephen Lewis' lecture until a week beforehand, and he prefered to hear speaker Harold Long, MLA for Powell River.

"I put a lot of time into arranging (the Socred social). Your question is like saying, 'Cameron, why didn't you come out and prepare our socialist event for us?'" St. John replied.

In his director's report at the beginning of the meeting St. John mentioned only Young Socred business.

"The Young Socreds had a very successful meeting last week, over 70 people attended, the MLA from Campbell River spoke and we signed up lots of new members," St. John said.

"This week we're signing up a contingent to go to a conference at the Fraser Institute," he said.

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7. Other Business
8. Adjournment

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NEWS

New transition home for battered women to be built in Victoria

by Tara Walker

One in every eight women is abused but there is shelter for only 12 in Victoria.

And women with children have to find somewhere else for them to stay because the Victoria shelter can not house children.

The provincial government's new funding increase of $1.4 million for transition houses has come as great news to staff and women who need shelter.

"This is a significant change in government policy," said a representative from the Victoria Women's Transition House who did not want to be identified.

In the Fairfield area a new house for battered and abused women may be built this spring. The location can not be disclosed, to protect the women.

The home will provide women with temporary housing and food, legal and medical advice and emergency counselling.

The cost is $500,000 and the government is supplying $450,000 of that amount.

The Victoria Women's Transition House will be developing and managing the house and has come up with an idea to raise the remaining money.

Symbolic bricks for the house are on sale for $25 each or $58 per square foot but any amount will be accepted. Donations are tax deductable (phone Rose at 381-0798 for information).

There are 440 beds available in the existing 44 emergency shelters and transition houses in B.C.

With the government funding increase, eight transition houses will be developed and managed by registered non-profit societies and 100 beds added to five old facilities. □

Beginners' guide to autonomy

by James MacKinnon

Freedom of the press! Oh how the phrase fills our hearts with pride in our just, liberal-democratic system!

Freedom of the press! How appalling, some regions of our green earth lack such a fundamental right!

Too bad the University of Victoria is one of them.

Although not exactly suffering under dictatorial censorship, *The Martlet* is not officially free.

This is why students are beginning to hear about autonomy, or self-government, for their student paper.

As anyone who reads the fine print knows, *The Martlet* is editorially autonomous, meaning *Martlet* staff control the content.

The paper is still tied financially to its official publisher, the UVic Students' Society.

The twist to this financial control is *The Martlet* has a responsibility to aggressively report on Students' Society activities.

Historically, this has caused problems, but such tales will fill a separate verbal pie. For now, it is clear enough that an element of "Don't bite the hand that feeds," exists. Conflict of interest, scourge of politicos everywhere, also comes to mind.

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AIDS scares med students

TORONTO (CUP) — Fear of infection, misinformation about transmission, and negative attitudes towards lesbians and gays are leading medical students to be leary of treating HIV-positive patients, says a recent study.

At the University of Toronto, 548 medical students were polled about their attitudes and knowledge of AIDS and HIV infection.

The poll discovered half of them believe they should have the right to refuse to treat those infected with HIV, and 25 per cent feel the risk of infection interferes with the treatment of AIDS or HIV patients.

Seventy per cent said they have negative attitudes towards lesbians and gays. And one in six would not want their child in a room with a HIV-positive person.

The study was conducted by behavioral scientist Kathryn Taylor, a U of T professor.

AIDS — Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome — is believed to result from HIV, a virus which is spread through the exchange of bodily fluids such as blood and semen.

Ed Jackson, Director of Education for the AIDS Committee of Toronto, said he was shocked by the students' level of knowledge.

"It's pretty amazing in 1990, given the level of training in medical schools. One might have expected this in the general public 5 years ago," he said.

But Jackson was not surprised by the attitudes.

"They're really just playing out their backgrounds. The nature of training, dealing with people other than themselves or with social issues must be changed. There should be more practical work out in the community," he said.

Anne Dipchand, president of U of T's Medical Students' Society, said fear of infection in some cases — such as with tuberculosis — is justified because the effects can be so severe. But she said those fears are uncalled for when it comes to HIV, which can't be spread through casual contact.

She said as students learn more about AIDS and HIV infection, they will be less afraid to treat it.

A lot of people are not interested in learning about AIDS because of their attitudes towards gay men and lesbians, she said, but that should not be grounds to refuse treatment.

"When you don't treat a person with HIV because they're homosexual, that's different. We must get the old stereotypes out of their minds. North America is still the only place its a homosexual disease. As that shifts I think you'll see attitudes changing," she said.

Jackson agreed that homophobia plays a big part in doctors' attitudes.

"They bring with them their own baggage of homophobia. I feel there's an ethical duty to treat — especially if (refusing to treat) is based on prejudice and misinformation," he said.

According to Dr. Michael Hulton, co-chair of the HIV Primary Physicians Care Group, the results of the study mirror the level of information in the general public.

"Medical students are no different than anyone else. The first-year medical student is the same as the first-year engineering student," he said.

However, Hulton was angry over what he sees as a decrease in the sense of responsibility felt by doctors to treat everyone.

"Tell the silly buggers that a generation ago it was their duty to treat everyone. There's no precedent in the medical profession of running away from treating patients because of danger to themselves. You did not refuse your infectious patients," he said. □

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New loan limits hurt 40 students so far

HALIFAX (CUP) — Forty Canadian university students have been denied loans this fall because of little-known new limits on student aid.

Under amendments introduced by the federal government last fall, students are now limited to $20,000 for undergraduate programs, $30,000 for masters programs and $40,000 for doctoral programs. The previous limit for all students was 520 weeks of funding at a maximum of $105 a week, for a total of $54,600.

The new rules on maximum loans are aimed at students who "show no real commitment to finishing their studies," said Rick Woyiwada, a Canadian Student Loan official.

Under the policy, every province forwards the names of students who are approaching their limit to the federal department of the Secretary of State, which decides who gets funding.

Critics say the Secretary of State is not in tune with the needs of students, who should be dealing with provincial student aid programs.

"The Secretary of State is a mess, a shambles," said Jeff Phelps, chair of the Students Union of Nova Scotia. "It's a big department that shouldn't have to deal with this."

The department is also "very condescending to students," according to Jane Arnold, chair of the Canadian Federation of Students (CFS).

"The process is really arbitrary. Students are adults. They should get the same customer service as they would if they wanted a loan for a new car," she said.

Provinces send the federal government the names of every student whose loan it will not process. They also provide the student's year, program of study, a list of previous courses the student has taken and whether or not the courses were completed.

Wayne Doggett, who chairs a committee that advises Nova Scotia's education minister on student aid, is concerned about the "discretionary nature of applying the policy."

"How would you like to have someone judge whether or not you've jumped around from institution to institution? You may have very good reasons," he said.

Doggett said the advisory committee, which has received no written guidelines on the policy, is also concerned about the effects limits will have on low-income students "at a time when costs are escalating."

Doggett said the uncertainty the policy will cause students is worrisome.

"If you're considering going into a program and you get one of these letters, it kind of throws your plans in jeopardy, doesn't it," he said.

But Kathleen Inkpen, Nova Scotia's director of student aid, said students in good standing who need to borrow beyond their limit should have no trouble getting extra money.

"(The policy is for those) who do one year of commerce, one year of arts, one year of science, then go to hairdressing school for a year," she said.

Inkpen said the warning letters are being sent out because "nobody reads the instructions" in the province's student aid handbook. □

Homophobes sanctioned

WOLFVILLE, N.S. (CUP) — Acadia University has slapped sanctions on the four men responsible for hanging a homophobic banner outside a campus residence last March.

The banner, declaring a floor of the residence to be "fag free," appeared a day after Acadia's student newspaper, *The Athenaeum*, published an eight-page gay and lesbian supplement.

At the time, the floor's residence assistant said "(the banner) resulted from our general anger at reading the *Athenaeum* last night."

The residence assistant later resigned from his job and is no longer allowed to live on campus. Both he and the three other students are on disciplinary probation. None have been identified.

The students are also required to develop and present an outline for an educational program concerning homophobia.

In a letter to the university community last week, Acadia President J.R.C. Perkin called the banner "deeply offensive to many members of the community." Perkin said he fully supports the sanctions and hopes students "have all gained new insights and sensitivities as a result of the incident."

The university's sexual harassment committee also released a statement, saying the "baggage" or prejudices many people bring to university make the elimination of sexual harassment "a tremendous challenge."

"This incident, which may have been more thoughtless (although no less culpable) than malicious, indicated that Acadia is no more immune to demonstrations of intolerance than other parts of society," the committee said.

Acadia student council president Steve Machat said he too supports the sanctions but hopes that if such incidents recur, "they'll get a little tougher."

Machat said the controversy forced both the university and the students' union to "enter new territory."

The student council is now discussing the formation of a student rights committee, which would have a mandate to act on behalf of students who are persecuted or discriminated against. □

Aboriginal rights a moral and political issue Canadians must solve

OTTAWA (CUP) — If the problems facing Canada's native people are to be resolved, Canadians must first recognize and address their moral obligations to the First Nations.

That was the message about 350 students heard at a Sept. 12 open forum on aboriginal self-government at Carleton University.

In a speech repeatedly interrupted by applause, Ovide Mercredi, the deputy regional chief for the Manitoba Assembly of First Nations, argued the problem of aboriginal sovereignty is not a legal or constitutional issue, but a moral and political one.

"When did the indigenous peoples surrender the right to govern themselves? Where in our history is the paper that tells us so?" he demanded.

Native collective and individual rights to freedom — rights enjoyed by other Canadians — are being suppressed, Mercredi said. And Canadians have no right to tell natives how to conduct Indian affairs, he maintained.

Appealing to governments and the Canadian public to abolish their double social standards and share political and economic power, the Manitoba chief called for a just and more equitable allocation of resources.

"There can be no law and order without justice," he said. In a spirit of cooperation and friendship, Mercredi appealed for a greater understanding and tolerance for native people. He also called for the opportunity for natives to address issues in accordance with their traditional values and institutions.

American native leader Russel Means told students about current relations between natives and the U.S. government.

In that country, there is a structure of tribal police and courts that work in conjunction with local, state and federal authorities, he said.

The Canadian government's refusal to negotiate towards this type of sovereign structure is a disgrace, Means said.

"Canada has been embarrassed before the world. Its treatment of Native people is being internationally compared to oppression in Israel and South Africa," he said.

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President to give tentative aid to student housing campaign

by Anne L. McKinnell

A housing campaign being organised by the Students' Society has received tentative support from University President Dr. David Strong.

Representatives from the Society met with Strong, Tuesday morning to discuss the student housing crisis.

"The Students' Society gained administration's support while we go to the municipalities to ask for them to consider phasing in new regulations regarding ensuites," said Elizabeth Loughran, vice-president academic of the society.

"Dr. Strong has tentatively said that once he reviews (the Students' Society's) written proposal he will write a letter of support in principle."

This summer the Capital Regional District contracted out the consulting firm CitySpaces to review the future possibilities of housing in the CRD.

Two of the recommendations from the report are being looked into by the Society's Student Issues Action Committee.

The first is to have municipalities change their bylaws to allow ensuites in single family dwellings that can be rented out to anyone.

The Students' Society is working with this recommendation because it would protect students from landlords they can't complain to anyone about, said Loughran.

"Often people who live in illegal suites have problems such as not getting their damage deposits back, or if something happens that is not their fault such as the furnace breaking down, either it wouldn't get fixed or you would have to pay for it."

The second recommendation made by CitySpaces called for a certain percentage of all new housing construction to be affordable housing.

Part of the lobbying the Students' Society is planning is a forum in November on housing where it will combine efforts with the Victoria Association for Street Kids.

"One of the major problems for both students and street youth is housing," said David Miller, of the Victoria Community Council.

"The two groups have many similarities that cause them to be discriminated against by landlords," and Miller said they are "trying to build a coalition between the two groups" to combat the problem.

"The street youth have a huge problem with young mothers who have no place to live, and we have a lot of single parents who don't have a decent place to live, so that is a similarity (between the two groups). Also, the transient life style of both students and street youth contribute to their discrimination," said Loughran.

The *Times-Colonist* reported last week there are 400 suites listed in the student residence housing office. Loughran said this is not an accurate portrayal of the housing situation.

"Plenty of those are boarding rooms which are not appropriate," said Loughran.

"Women are not always comfortable boarding in co-op housing if they don't know the men in the house.

"Out of those 400 suites we have no way of knowing if they are unclean. We've heard about single parents who are living in unhealthy situations where it is damp and very cold, and that could kill a child.

"We're going to be working to make suites legal and to hopefully make more suites available for independent living for students."

Loughran said the Society is trying to deal with this as quickly as possible in order to affect the plans for residence building on campus for the Commonwealth Games in 1994.

"As Dr. Strong said, the housing crisis is more one of quality housing. We know that there is housing out there, but we know that much of it is dangerous, unsafe, and unhealthy and students, like every other citizen should not be expected to live in them. We would like to see regulations on the quality of housing affected in a positive way." ☐

Poverty game plays in Victoria

by Erin Edwards

There's a new game in town and it's not designed for entertainment.

The Poverty Game focuses on an issue we all need to face. Produced by the Together Against Poverty Society (TAPS), it is presented in workshop form, with participants playing different roles in a simulation-style board game.

A discussion follows where the players can share their reactions and gain insight into some of the facets of poverty.

Co-ordinator Rory Rickwood says the game functions as a tool to allow both professionals and lay people to experience a sample of living poor.

"Participants discover that poverty forces them to make some very anguished decisions. It's proved to be very educational," he said.

Rickwood said the Society hopes the game will alert our community to the effects of poverty. Registration is cheap — $5. Upcoming workshops will are September 26 and October 10, 19 and 24.

Contact the Society at 361-3521 to register. ☐

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ON THE SPOT

by Robert Cooper and Niki Lederer

What do you think about the Take Back the Night March and about stones being thrown at the crowd?

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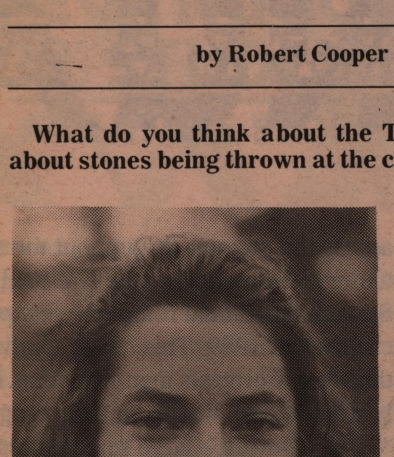
Julie Renning
2nd year Science, Biology



To tell the truth I didn't hear about the march, but I support the cause and would've liked to have gone.

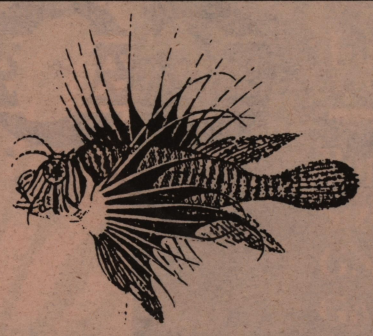
Sonia Ottosen
2nd year History

All that I heard was a friend of mine went on it and found it really moving. I'd like to go next year.

Marlene Jackson
3rd year Music

I think the university should sponsor more paired walks and runs on campus. I think what happened was pathetic.

Trent Mohrbutter
5th year Education



I had no idea that even went on. I would've supported the march. I just moved here from Vancouver and wasn't aware of the problem of violence against women. It's quite shocking to find these problems here in Victoria.

Kevin Smith
1st year Arts and Science

I could feel the contradiction between the big group in the march, that was together and evoked a powerful feeling, and the public on the sidewalk that wasn't relating.

Pam Barber
2nd year Visual Arts

I can't see why anybody would have negative feelings about the march.

Wayne Henriques
3rd year Philosophy

I think it's very dangerous for women in Canada. It's not like that in Thailand.

Nong Nuch
Faculty of Law, exchange student

It felt special, women uniting, which is something we need to do more. People on the street were dumbfounded by the power of the women.

Joanne Mickelson
4th year Linguistics

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A LUTA CONTINUA:

by Andy Stonehouse

Students at UVic may complain with good reason about overcrowded classrooms and difficulty finding an early-morning parking spot, but the situation is a far cry from what students in some other countries must endure in an effort to seek their post-secondary schooling.

Wendy Martin and Stephen Burri spent the first six months of 1990 in Nigeria, hoping to receive a memorable overseas education. What they found instead was an university system in chaos and a nation which belied its international reputation as one of Africa's most progressive states.

Burri, now a UVic lab instructor, was the winner of a Rotary International graduate scholarship, and had chosen to take courses in parasitology at Obafemi Awalowa University, located in Ile-Ife, a Victoria-sized city in the Nigeria's south-west corner. Martin, a student, had initially arranged to work for CUSO during the trip, but when plans fell through she decided to try and take classes.

The university, built during the country's oil boom, is still regarded as one of the continent's outstanding institutions, its 16,000 students enjoying the school's enormous 5,000 hectare campus.

Martin and Burri found the school didn't quite live up to its past glories.

In the graduate residences, considered some of the university's best housing, Martin found up to 12 students per room, sleeping and cooking in shifts to accommodate their unreasonable numbers. Students were forced to stand in line for water, and toilets were only flushed once a day. On way to the cafeteria students passed open sewers.

"We met a number of foreign African students at the university, and they were just as disgusted with the conditions," Martin said.

In the classroom, the situation was just as bad. Martin said teachers, many of whom worked at other jobs to support themselves, would often not even show up for class. If they did manage to arrive, classes usually amounted to straight dictation out of textbooks few students could afford. Archaic lab equipment fell apart in students' hands, and computer science students graduated without ever actually touching the machines.

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Economics dictate Nigeria's political climate, and that climate has turned an unfriendly eye on the nation's students. As Martin explains, the protest over funding for Nigeria's universities became a dangerous and discouraging situation, especially for the two Westerners.

"During our stay, the situation at the university slowly eroded, and finally our friends told us it would be a good idea to leave," she said. "They asked us to keep in contact with them once we came home, but so far we've only received a few letters."

Since then, the two have been trying to raise awareness for the Nigerian students' situation, and have been getting Canadians to write letters to the Nigerian president, General Ibrahim Babangida, asking for the release of detainees and the recognition of human rights in his country.

In mid-May of this year, soon after his release from South African prison, African National Congress leader Nelson Mandela was invited to Nigeria. While there, he praised the nation's president, General Ibrahim Babangida, for what he called "Nigeria's great human rights record." I was sitting in the audience at the time, with a student activist who had just been released from prison, where he had been subject to torture. The situation was painfully ironic.

The student had been detained for criticizing and organizing against the Babangida regime. He was held under the government's Decree 2, which allows detention without trial for renewable six week periods. Decree 2 was put into effect on the same day the South African government instituted a similar law.

Why was Mandela, a father of revolutionary struggle, under the impression that Babangida is a fair and democratic leader? Some would say that Mandela was trying to ensure the president's continued funding for the ANC, which Babangida has said is "fighting against oppression." Others would say that Mandela, just out of jail, was uninformed about the truth. In either case, it appears that Babangida played his cards right.

Nigeria's president has put an incredible amount of money and effort into creating and maintaining his international image. The truth is he endeavors to keep a firm grip on the reins of power of his country, and one thing he is squeezing is the education system. He recently concluded negotiations for a $150 million dollar loan from the World Bank, the money to be spread around the country's numerous universities and polytechnic institutes.

However, during a symposium at Obafemi Awalowa University the word came out that there was a secret list of pre-conditions for accepting the loan. These included the massive lay-off of academic and non-academic staff, as well as the total closure of most graduate and many undergraduate programs.

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Additionally, current expatriate staff would have their salaries topped up and more expatriates would be hired, the largest percentage of the loan going to non-nationals. Finally, all books and equipment had to be purchased through the British Council. Who said colonialism is over?

Mass protests against the world bank loan were held across the country throughout the spring. Nige under the direction of the National Association Students, had held relatively few protests since closures in 1989. This changed, though, and as this year's protests many students have been d injured or expelled from their programs.

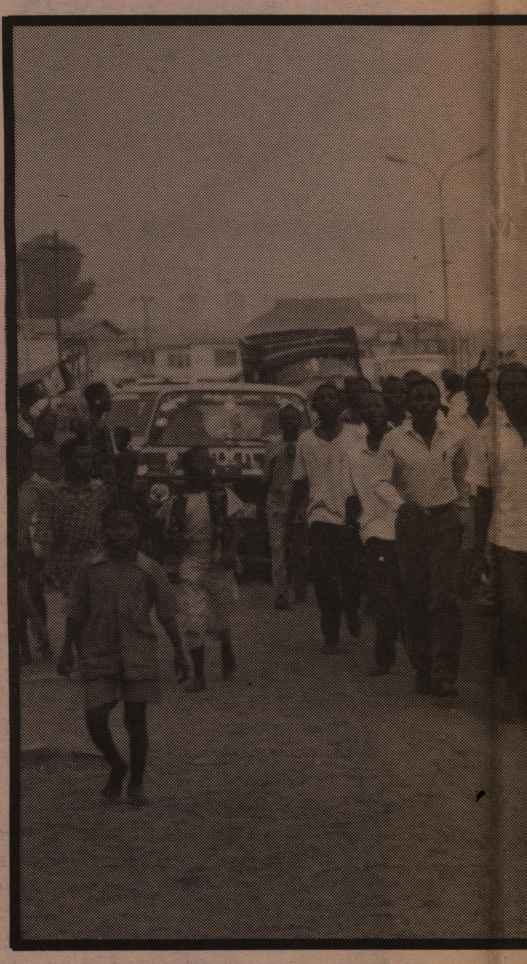
During a large scale protest at Obafem University, at least 45 students were wounded confrontations with riot police and 40 more we These students now face jail terms of five year

The university was shut down within h students were ordered to take their belongings an indefinite period of time. For the second tim two years most of the major universities and p was shut down. Five months later some campu reportedly still closed.

To fully understand why Nigerian stud their freedom to protest the World Bank loan i to look at the country's history and its educatio

Nigeria gained independence from Bri in 1960. Since that time there have been a seri "democratic" governments separated by one el eight coups.

Nigeria is a country with enormous div ethnicity, language, religion and lifestyle, a div due to the colonizers' entirely arbitrary border



country's problems, including a civil war in t the result of a colonial lack of recognition an service these differences. Resultant governme players were brought up under the British col continue to rule the same way. As in other de nations, Nigeria's single largest problem is pr corruption of people in positions of power.

In the 1970s oil-rich Nigeria hit the j petroleum prices skyrocketed. New roads, ho government buildings and universities were b universities were given the latest equipment a were given high salaries. Eighty per cent of t lived on campus, and conditions there were a standards of the developed world.

Unfortunately the wealth was not last 1986 crash in oil prices people who were just their new-found wealth began to see it slip av Across the country, construction slowed to a conditions of the working classes began to he The cost of education increased and students' studying conditions fell into disrepair.

Not everyone was suffering, however

THE STRUGGLE CONTINUES FOR STUDENTS IN NIGERIA

• A FEATURE STORY BY WENDY MARTIN •

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amount of money during the boom years went into the pockets of the military government. After the crash this continued to happen. Ordinary people were deeply affected by hard times because the government had not invested in longterm projects when there was an abundance of money.

The Nigerian government has now been forced to take loans from the World Bank, a solution the government calls its Structural Adjustment Program. The SAP has further

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deteriorated the situation for most Nigerians. Students' food costs have increased to the point where many can now only afford to eat one or two meals a day.

When students attempted to enter into dialogue with the government or tried to present alternatives to the obviously ineffective SAP, the Babangida regime has either completely ignored them or responded with drastic measures. Students and their supporters have been detained and brutalized, and the universities have completely shut down on several occasions. This past year has been no different.

Just before we returned to Canada in June, an unsuccessful coup was staged against General Babangida,

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and state security agents began arresting anyone who was known to have spoken out against government policies and programs. Prominent human rights activists, professors and journalists were detained without trials.

Student unions were banned and their offices nailed shut without warning. At one point all independent news media had been shut down. Happily, in response to international pressures (including pressure form UVic students), the Nigerian government has now released some of those detained.

We were hoping that this would be the end of this particular episode in Nigeria's history of human rights abuses. Unfortunately we have just received word to the contrary.

In July, several months after the arrests of two professors, 14 student leaders went to the office of Justice Minister Bola Ajibola to submit a statement calling for their release or an announcement of the charges laid against the two. The students were arrested without being given the chance to leave the premises of the ministry of justice.

And, last we heard, these students remain in jail for their protest.

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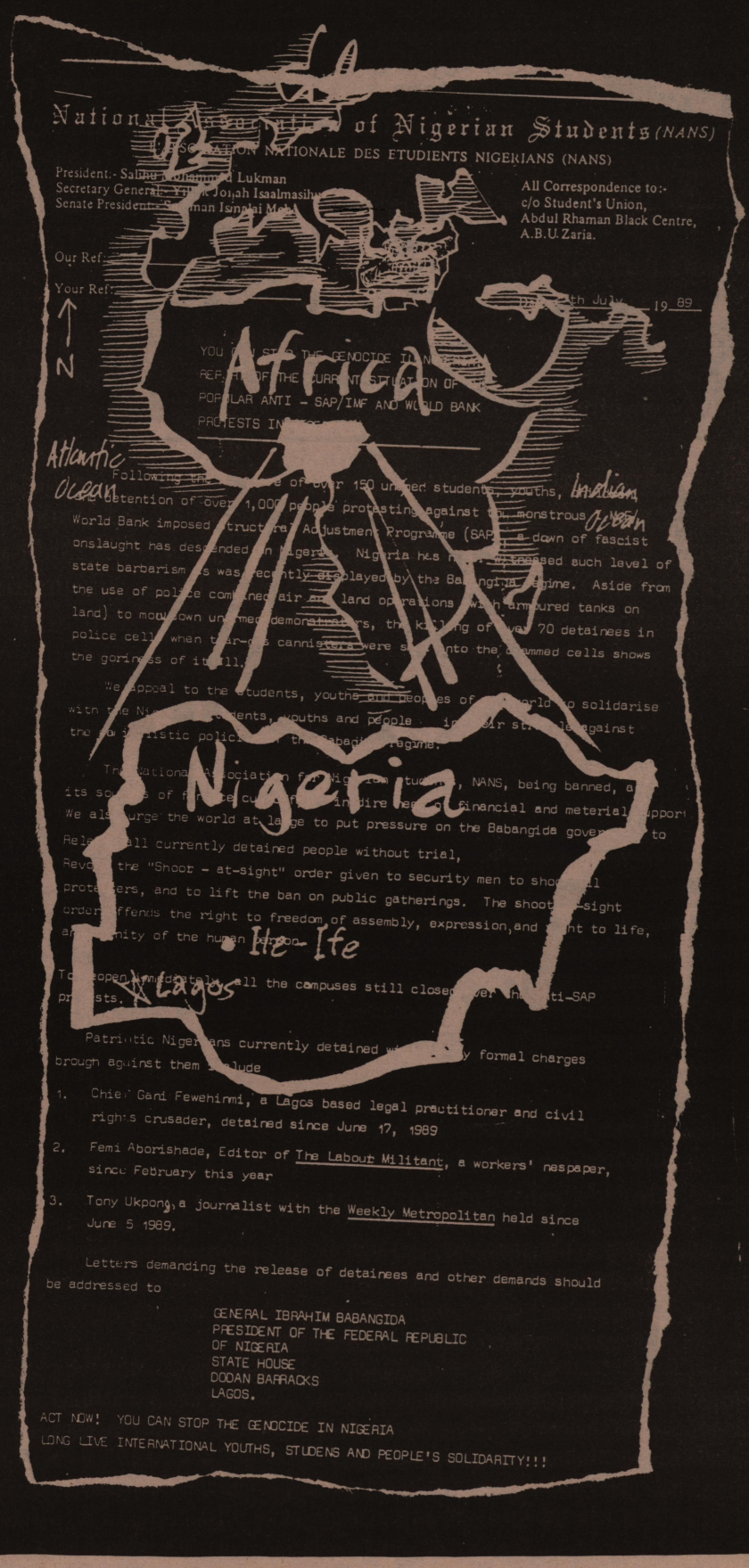
Population:	**105 million (1988)**
Size:	**923 773 sq. km**
GNP /capita:	**$730 U.S. (1986)**
Government:	**Armed Forces ruling council, sworn in August 1985 following military coup**
Economy:	**Oil (95% of exports), tin, columbite, coal, millet, sorghum**
Religion:	**Moslems (48%), Christians (34%)**
Literacy rate:	**25%**
Affiliations:	**Member of UN, Commonwealth, OPEC**



ENTERTAINMENT

Master plays blues

by Nick Mount

If you're tired of the books already, here's an excuse to put off that first essay.

John Hammond, the man who the Rock Encyclopedia calls "the most faithful of white musicians to pure blues," takes the stage Thursday night at Harpo's Cabaret.

Hammond has been a prominent member of the blues scene for over 25 years, beginning with his debut self-titled album in 1963.

Since then, he has participated in a number of ventures, including a stint at Carnegie Hall in 1965 and recording the soundtrack for the Dustin Hoffman flick "Little Big Man" in 1970.

Hammond has also had joint performances with musicians such as members of the Band (before they became **The** Band), Jimi Hendrix, and Duane Allman.

True fame has always just avoided Hammond, but he has gained the respect of his fellow musicians, as is evidenced by his appearance on MTV's 1984 "Salute to the Blues," hosted by George Thorogood.

Hammond's latest album, 1987's "Nobody But You," features Gene Taylor of the Blasters on several tracks.

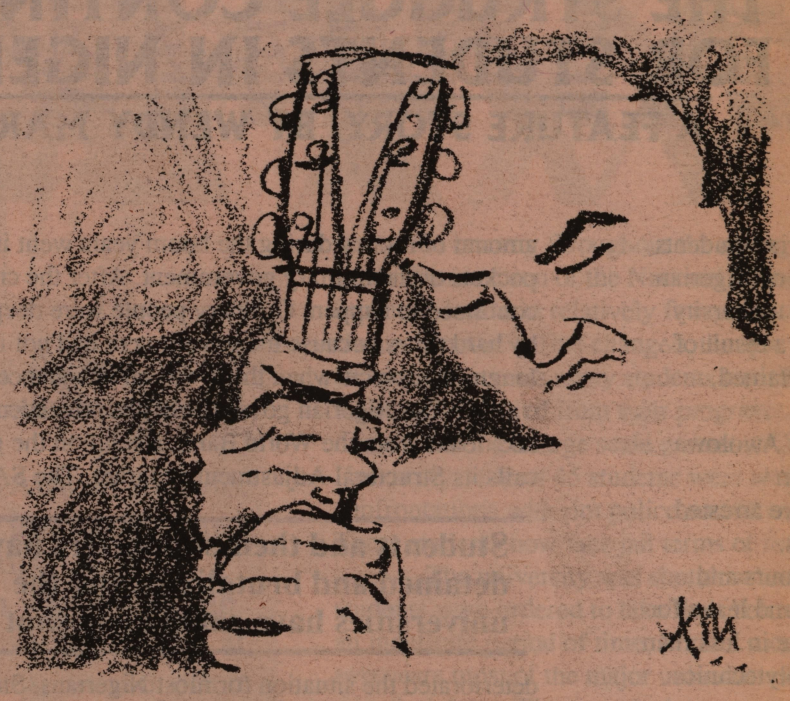
The entirely self-taught Hammond is well-known in blues circles for his masterful use of both acoustic guitar and harmonica, and his loyal interpretations of early blues heroes such as John Lee Hooker, Lightnin' Hopkins, Muddy Waters, and the late-great Robert Johnson.

Thoughout the years, Hammond has remained faithful to his acoustic Delta blues origins, despite an occasional walk on the electric side of the blues.

Tonight's show should feature a mixture of covers of some of Hammond's early influences, as well as more contemporary renditions of his own compositions. Rumour has it local band Rude Mood may also take the stage at some point in the night.

The show starts at 9:30, tickets are $8 at the door.

So if you really need an excuse, ditch the homework and catch John Hammond in action tonight at Harpo's. Just tell the professor you were engaged in audio-visual studies of Afro-American cultural heritage. □



Fresh comedy trio performs outrageous improvisation at the Fringe

by Alisa Smith

Lllike it! That's the order printed on the program of this comedy trio's "tasty list o' scenes" and its not hard to comply.

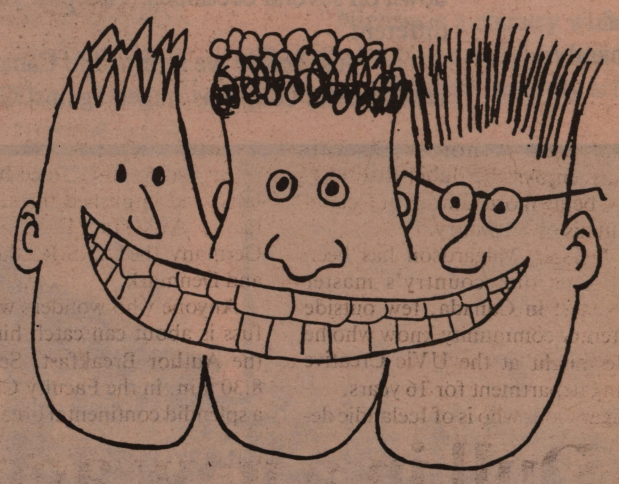
Siamese Twins' eclectic goulash of songs and comedy sketches focus on the stranger side of life.

The show is threaded together by "Dream Girl", a segmented saga about a hazy, amorphic female ideal, which intersperses other unconnected, more bizarre offerings, like "The Napkin Song."

It's easy to detect their improvisational origin in the freshness of their ideas, explored with unexpected twists. In one sketch, for instance, one of the performers becomes a shepherd, and the other two his sheep -- with hilarious results.

The fast-paced action, spontaneity, and occasional frenzied moments, such as in the outrageous circumstances surrounding "The Avenger" keep the off-kilter humour of Fred's Bicycle Repair Shop at a highly entertaining level.

There are still two performances of *Siamese Twins Joined at the Smile* at Venue 1, Open Space, located at 510 Fort Street. Shows are on Friday September 28, at 11 p.m., and Saturday, September 29, at 5:15 p.m. □



Demented skits a hit

by Tara Walker

Do you like Saturday Night Live and Monty Python? If so, you'll love *Human Vibrators*, one of the plays at the Victoria Fringe Festival.

Human Vibrators is the lastest production from the Salt Spring Hysterical Society.

The show is a collection of skits, including the favorites: "The Pregnant Man", "Cooking With Power Tools", "The 30 Second Arnold Schwarzenegger Fitness Machine" and "The Mr. Clear-Cut Show."

Hysterical is an appropriate name for this group of talented comedians. They are inventive, witty, and very demented.

If you feel you need a laugh, come see this show. It is playing at Venue No.4, National Trust, 649 Yates St.

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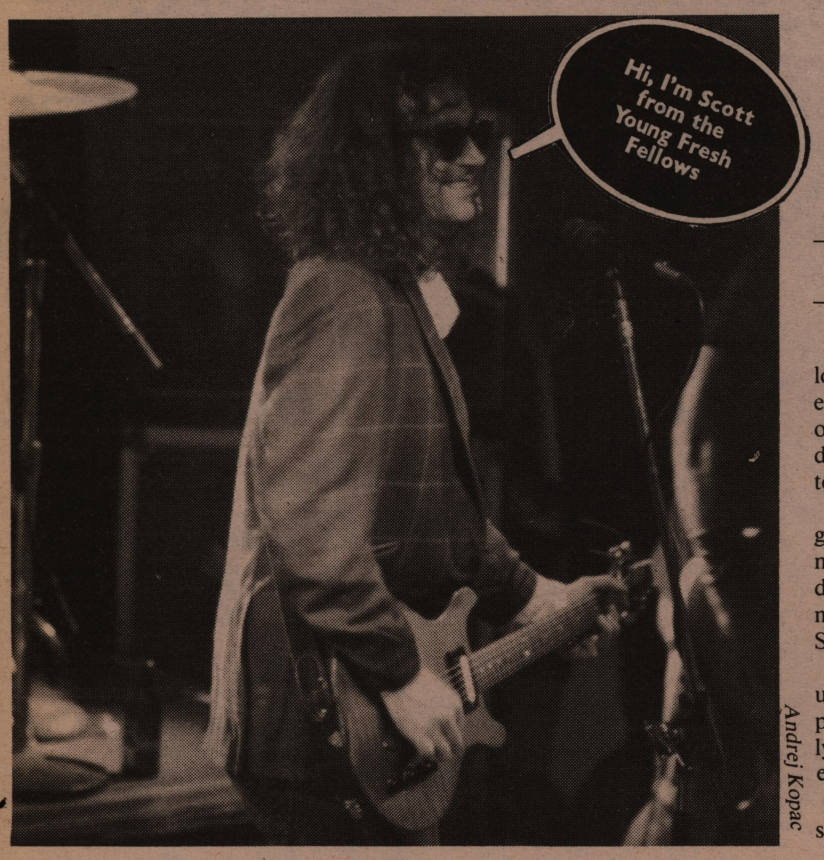

Andrej Kopac

Young Fresh Fun!

Those crazy rawkin' Fellows

by Rebecca Games

All four of the Young Fresh Fellows were just fabulous this weekend. Complete with a very cool opening band, Field Trip, last Saturday night's show at Harpo's was better than seemed possible.

Scott McCaughey on vocals and guitar, Jim Sangster on bass, drummer Tad Hutchinson and newest addition Kurt Bloch on lead guitar make up this supremo group of crazy Seattlites.

They have been creating a truly unique and wonderful mix of pure pop pleasure, garage grunge, quirky lyrics and one of the best live shows ever, for well over five years.

Bloch, who joined up last year, has since become an indispensable harder and faster sounding part of the Fellows. The Fellows have five albums out. Bloch is on their last full-length release, *This One's For the Ladies*.

Their two sets at Harpos were excellent from start to finish. Musically they were tighter than ever and their stage show was truly hilarious.

They did the best versions I've ever heard of "Why I Oughta . . ." and "Amy Grant" from *Men Who Love Music*, their third album.

All of the stuff they played was truly top-notch and it seems Bloch's driving guitar solos and wild feedback has really found a place in old Fellows favorites.

But the best part of the show was when McCaughey really outdid himself by crawling under the drumkit.

At every show he does something to amaze the crowd, last time it was juggling full beer bottles, this time he crawled under the raised part of the stage for the drums in the middle of "Amy Grant."

Mr. Cool-calm-and collected on the most part Tad Hutchinson treated the crowd to some of the silliest antics ever.

Whether he was doing a solo with a football helmet falling into his eyes, exercising unusual yoga positions while crouched over the kick drum or yelling about his drumsticks being caught in the fan or any combination of the four, it definitely added to the humour of the night.

Bloch was jumping and running all over, at one point throwing himself into the frothing mass of humans in front of the stage.

Unfortunately, they didn't do some of their most popular numbers, like the way-cool "Teenage Dogs in Trouble" (from their first album), but they made up for it with one of the best shows yet.

No doubt they'll be back this way soon so those who missed the show can catch them then. Hopefully the next time those Fellows come to town they'll do their usual two night stint, instead of a one night stand like last weekend. □

Breakfasting with words

by Jeanine Soodeen

Canadian author W.D. Valgardson enjoys the dubious distinction of being more famous in Iceland than in his own country.

In Iceland, Valgardson has been adopted as that country's master story-teller; in Canada, few outside the literary community know who he is. He taught at the UVic Creative Writing department for 16 years.

Valgardson, who is of Icelandic descent, established an international reputation with the publication of *Bloodflowers*, his first book of short stories.

His works have since been translated and published throughout Iceland, Austria, East and West Germany, the U.S.S.R., the Ukraine, and Denmark.

Anyone who wonders what all the fuss is about can catch him, live, at the Author Breakfast, Sept. 28, at 8:30 a.m. in the Faculty Club. Amid a splendid continental breakfast, Valgardson will read from his latest book *What Can't Be Changed, Shouldn't Be Mourned*. The book examines the way men and women relate to each other. The title comes from the story titled "The Couch."

"It is an ironic statement by the main character," said Valgardson. "Everybody in the story got what he wanted, but nobody will admit it."

Tickets for the Author Breakfast are $7 which includes the continental breakfast buffet, are available at Griffin's Books, Ivy's Bookshop, the UVic Bookstore and Village Books.

Also appearing will be Jurgen Gothe, presenting his new book *Good Gothe*, and Donald Gutsein, reading from *The New Landlords*. □

Dull in a new age

by Alisa Smith

Combining circus skills, music, and comedy, two likeable new-age males enliven the vaudeville song-and dance tradition with audience participation, flame juggling, and flashlight-dancing.

Unfortunately, it isn't as exciting as it sounds.

Some feats of danger and skill, such as when Jeff and Fred juggle flaming torches, are truly inspiring. But few segments equal this standard. One section, when the stage is darkened for the modern dance piece with flashlights, is downright tedious.

The whole performance is actually quite uneven. Although there are some genuinely funny moments, most of the humour interspersed between the acts seems over-rehearsed or cliched. Anyone who craves an occasionally entertaining experience can catch *Vaudeville for a New Age* at Venue 1, Open Space, 510 Fort Street, Saturday, Sept. 29 at 9:15 p.m. and Sunday, September 30, at 6:30 p.m. □

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ENTERTAINMENT

Macbeth — "Scottish play" doesn't meet expectations

by Jo Foley

Greed, treason and treachery: all the ingredients of enthralling theatre couldn't save The English Suitcase Company's Fringe production of *MacBeth* from medicocrity.

A bit harsh, perhaps, but after being thoroughly enthralled by the company's 1989 production of *Dr. Faustus*, *Macbeth* seemed pretty anemic in comparison. Maybe I'm just spoiled.

Kevin Williamson offers a credible portrayal of the Scottish opportunist. But considering that the part is one of the juiciest in English theatre, his interpretation is pretty bland. Rather than examining MacBeth's gradual moral and spiritual corruption, Williamson portrays the thane as a passive victim of malevolent forces.

In contrast, Deva Palmier's Lady Macbeth is an innovative characterization of the manipulative "partner of greatness." Unfortunately, her high heels caused her to adopt awkward postures, which detracted from her performance.

Kevin Hosier, who demonstrates a commanding stage presence in his numerous roles, was especially masterful as Malcolm. Ben Dudley as the bereaved Macduff was also excellent.

The production would be greatly improved by a more imaginative interpretation of the play. A fresh approach to Shakespeare's timeless drama of the evils of ambition would display the actors' considerable talents to better advantage. The remaining Fringe productions of Macbeth are on Thursday, Sept. 27 at 8:45 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 30, at 7 p.m. at the A.N.A.F. Veterans' Hall, 751 View St. □

Inexpensive art returns to Student Union Building

by Tara Walker

Van Gogh's original "Sunflowers" sold for about $1 million, but there is a place on campus where you can pick it up for about $8.

The Student Union Building upper lounge has been converted into the fine art gallery where you can find not only Picasso but Renoir, Matisse, Monet, Van Gogh, and Dali.

All of them for about $8.

Abstract, impressionist, and surrealist art, plus sports, wildlife, and landscape photography are being exhibited by Imaginus.

"Imaginus is a travelling poster company that is based in Toronto," said Graeme Card, one of the poster sales staff.

The exhibit will be open on Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 a.m.

There's no guarantee you'll find orignals or even limited edition prints but you might just find a hidden admiration for art that's individual and affordable. □

NEWS

BC faculty demand unionization

VANCOUVER (CUP) — University faculties across British Columbia are demanding the right to unionize following the establishment of a new university in the province.

On behalf of the faculty associations, the Canadian Association of University Teachers (CAUT) is lodging a formal complaint with the International Labour Organization (ILO) in an attempt to gain the right to unionize.

Although college and institution faculty associations may form unions, Section 80 of the provincial Universities Act makes B.C. the only province where faculty can't unionize. The CAUT is arguing that the act violates the ILO's convention 87, which protects the right of workers to unionize.

"We think our members should be the ones to decide whether they unionize or not and not government ministers or officials," said Don Savage, executive director of the CAUT.

A previous appeal to the ILO in 1977 forced the Alberta government to pass an act allowing faculty associations to unionize (although they aren't allowed to strike), so Savage is hopeful for success.

"We are certainly up in arms," said Margaret Csapo, president of the Confederation of University Faculty Associations in B.C.(CUFABC). "It's only universities that are discriminated against like this. I guess the next victims of Section 80 will be the faculty of the University of Northern B.C."

The UNBC Act, which established the Prince George university, specifically prohibits the faculty from forming a union.

Provincial Advanced Education Minister Bruce Strachan opposes allowing faculty unions in B.C. universities. In June, when the UNBC Act was introduced in the provincial legislature, he said changing the UNBC Act to allow a faculty union would make the new university "second rate and different from other universities."

"The university system in B.C. is the best in Canada. (Section 80) is certainly not hurting scholarship or the provision of education to students," he said.

"The thinking behind this section of the act was presumably that university faculty are professionals and shouldn't be treated as organized labour," he said, adding that he saw "no reason" to allow faculty unionization.

"Is Strachan trying to say that every group that wishes to form a union is second rate?" Csapo said. "The majority of faculty associations are unionized, and they aren't second rate."

"A faculty which has the option of whether or not to unionize is stronger than one that can't." Csapo said. "A faculty which is restrained from unionizing is made weaker because the university administration knows that they can't do anything if they don't like the contract or working conditions they're offered. It's take it or leave it."

The NDP is supporting faculty associations, provincial education critic Barry Jones said. "Being able to unionize is a fundamental right." □

Ducks afloat again

by Vicki Mowat

Three ducks harmed two weeks ago when detergent was dumped into the Petch Memorial fountain are doing fine, said Lynn West of the SPCA.

The chemical used to clean out the detergent stripped the ducks of natural oils which protect them from the cold and without the care of the SPCA they may have died.

The SPCA will release the ducks, but "definitely not back into the university fountain. It's too dangerous," said West. The ducks will likely be released into Swan Lake Nature Park or an inlet.

The fountain still looked a little soapy long after the detergent was dumped into the fountain in the nighttime hours.

"The fountain had to be drained and tile-washed later in the week," said Tony James, manager of buildings and grounds. "The defoamer just gets rid of the suds, not the detergent."

If a similar incident occurs, James said the fountain will be drained immediately. He added, "I hope it won't happen again; the time it takes to clean the fountain is horrendous." □

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SPORTS

Andrej Kopac

A NEAR MISS — Vikes battled hard against Velox last Saturday but unfortunately came up short.

Vikes lose

by Robert Cooper

The University of Victoria Vikings rugby squad suffered a disappointing loss this weekend as they were beaten 24-10 by fellow Victorian team Velox Valhallians.

The young Vikings team was unprepared for the strength of the Velox, many of whom are UVic alumni.

Paul Berg and Mark Mathews scored tries for the Vikings, with Mathews also adding the convert.

John Battie and Roy Wheeldon both had strong runs for the Vikes but were unable to penetrate Velox' iron defence.

Prop Richard Bice played well in the forwards, intimidating the opposition with his sheer power.

In second division action, the UVic Norsemen downed a strong Oak Bay side 25-14.

Playing without veteran prop Scott Keele, the Norsemen were relentless in their attack on Oak Bay.

Keele, who broke his wrist in a logging accident last week, hopes to overcome his injuries and return to the Norsemen roster.

Tries were scored for the Norsemen by Kevin Kim, Stu Hunter, Kyle Ferguson and Darren Wilton.

Wilton also displayed his magic boot in kicking three converts and a penalty.

Lock Gareth Rowans stood out for UVic, while fullback Dean Thompson had, in the words of coach Alex Mackenzie, "a gutsy performance."

The Vikes play Oak Bay Castaways at 2:30 on Windsor Park. The Norsemen play Velox at Velox at 1 p.m., while the Saxons host Nanaimo also at 1 p.m. □

Andrej Kopac

VELOX TAKE THE BALL — The Vikes couldn't match the strength of Velox team who had many UVic alumni.

UVic rowing best in Canada

by Ryan Buchanan

The University of Victoria Rowing crew's motto is short and sweet: "Humble in victory — Gracious in defeat." Their graciousness has become a fairly infrequent practice.

Over the past decade, UVic's rowing program has surpassed all of its kind across Canada.

"No one in Canada will come close to us," states women's head coach Rick Crawley. "On an international level we are definitely competitive."

The main focus of the UVic program is towards the Varsity Eight shells, the swiftest of all boats.

Last years women's eight had a tremendous campaign and were consequently named "Team of the Year" by British Columbia and the city of Victoria.

Coach Crawley, entering his eighth year as the women's headmaster, is modestly confident in his expectations for the upcoming season.

"We aren't being cocky... but we anticipate to either win or to be very close to the front of every race we enter. Our competitors usually come with their focus on beating us."

With the nucleus of the crew returning this fall, the women Vikes "humble" record will undoubtedly only improve leading into the spring season of racing.

"In the spring," Crawley forecasts," the varsity eight will only get better."

Julie Jespersen and Kirsten Barnes are currently training for the World Championships and fellow National Team Member Helena Matson is taking the fall season off. All three were members of UVic's crew last year and will return in the spring.

Losing several top rowers for a season is nothing new for UVic coaches. The Canadian National Team will sport at least one or two members from UVic.

The university's maintenance of success during these periods just goes to show the depth of the rowing program through the Junior Varsity and Novice level crews. □

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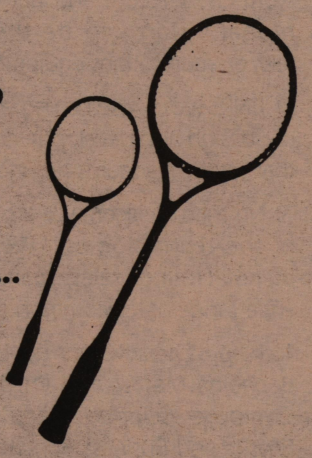

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SPORTS

WINNING THE BALL — The Vikes won a lot of balls last weekend as they remained undefeated in Can-West action.

Vikes look strong

by Chuck Bennett

The University of Victoria Vikes soccer team captured three of a possible four points in Canada-West action last weekend at UVic.

The Vikes battled the University of Calgary Dinosaurs to a one all draw Friday afternoon and then downed the University of Lethbridge Pronghorns 5-2 on Saturday.

Head coach Bruce Wilson was pleased with the weekend. "We played pretty well and I felt the guys played well together," said Wilson After a scoreless first half Greg Gidman opened the scoring against Calgary when he outhustled two Dinosaur defenders and deposited the ball into the bottom left-hand corner of the Calgary net in the 65th minute.

UVic came on strong after the goal, taking the play to the Dinosaurs. But in the 72nd minute UVic failed to clear the ball out of danger and Calgary's Mike Wieninger hit a beautiful volley into the top corner to tie the game.

The Vikes pushed hard for the go-ahead marker, creating a few golden opportunities but they weren't able to capitalize and the game ended deadlocked.

The Vikes faired better against Lethbridge on Saturday. The Vikes scored the first goal very early in the match when Darcy Boulton converted a penalty kick after Gidman had been chopped down in the penalty area.

The Pronghorns retaliated with a converted penalty kick of their own when UVic was called on a hand ball in the penalty area. John Gilbert scored the goal for Lethbridge.

The Vikes charged back and went ahead in the 20th minute on a beautiful head ball by Boulton.

The Vikes took control of the match, scoring three more goals and putting the match out of reach for the Pronghorns. Dave McGill, Bob Sousa and Andy Zohrad were the goal scorers for UVic.

Lethbridge did get one goal back when Gilbert chipped a ball just over the outstretched arms of Vikes keeper Adrian Lise.

UVic's next action in Can-West play is this weekend with a rematch against Calgary and Lethbridge. □

UVic Sailing Club prepares for a fun season

by Chuck Bennett

"Fun sailing" is the theme of the University of Victoria's Sailing Club said Bill Baker, a senior member in the club.

The UVic sailing club began the new sailing season last Saturday with an orientation day for new sailors.

The club competes in Pacific Northwest Intercollegiate Regattas which take place at various locations. This year the club will take part in regattas at Seattle and Royal Roads Military College.

Everyone is welcome to participate in the regattas not just the highly competitive racing team. The club, according to Baker,"is not centered around the racing team."

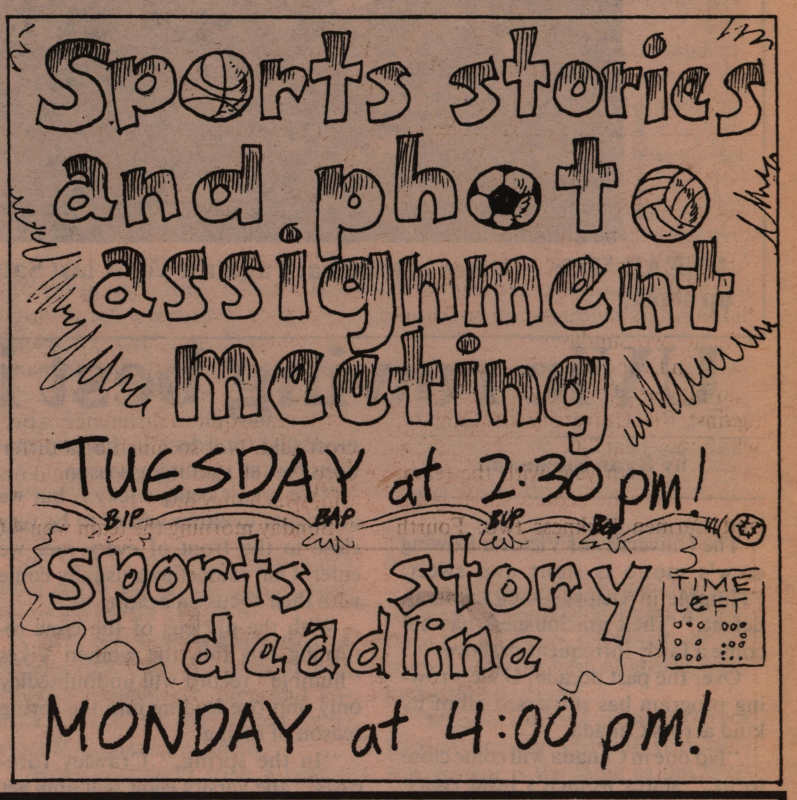
"We want it to be a fun club. We don't want there to be any difference between the club and the team; the interests of the club come first," added Baker.

The sailing club is open to anyone interested in sailing, either on a recreational or competitive basis.

Baker said the turnout Saturday was excellent and that he hoped more people would get involved.

"We have a real good time, especially at the regattas, and the more people who turn out the better."

The club meets Saturdays and Sundays down at Cadboro Bay beach. □



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SPORTS

Pumpers wait

by Greg Kormany

As a new term begins UVic students are finding line-ups and waiting are a fact of life.

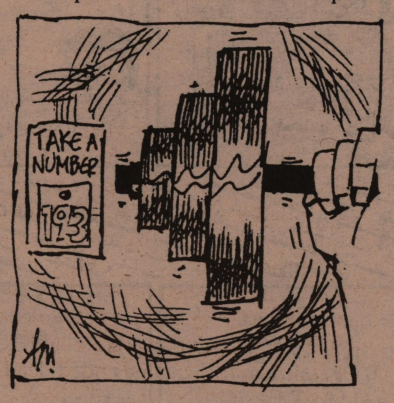
These time consuming lines are everywhere; the bookstore, the cafeteria, the SUB pub, and even at the apparatus gym in the McKinnon building.

Overcrowding once ran rampant in the weight room and even today the problem has only been reduced a fraction. The problem lies in the fact the physical capacity of the room is too limited for the number of persons using the facilities.

This means if a work-out takes one hour, plan on being in the weight room for one and a half to two hours.

Last year weight room users may remember signing a petition aimed at trying to improve facilities. According to Paula Hale, who spearheaded the petition, approximately 1200 signatures were accumulated.

Despite her effort and the petition's cry for improvement only minimal change has occured.



"Everyone agrees it's a pretty crummy weight room, but no one wants to sink any money into it", said Hale.

"There was talk of knocking out one of the walls in the weight room, but it's not realistic because there is not enough room with physio next door," added Hale.

Jim Hayes, acting director of athletics and recreation agreed. "There is no room for expansion and no funds available".

A wristband system was implemented in order to limit the number of persons in the weight room at any one time. A student wishing to use the weight room exchanges their student ID card for one of the 30 wristbands located at the equipment desk.

The system does limit the number of persons using the weight room at any one time, but the problem of waiting still exists because the demand to use is far greater than 30 people. With preparation and talk of the 1994 Commonwealth Games in Victoria, it has been rumored that the new weight room facilities needed may be built at UVic, but nothing is certain.

Hayes was hopeful the Commonwealth Games would bring new weight room facilities, but again nothing was certain.

In response to this subject Hale said, "all of the weight lifting competitions will be taking place in Esquimalt and there is a good chance our new weight facilities will be built there. There is no guarantee UVic will get the new weight room".

When asked if the weight facilities would be built in Esquimalt he said he was unaware of any new facilities being built there.

The current situation, however, is frustrating students."It's pretty sad considering we're now the western training camp for rowing", said Hale. □

Women Vikes sweep opponents

by Maureen Gorden

The UVic women's field hockey team had a blistering start to the season last weekend in Edmonton at the first Can-West competition.

In 30 degree weather the team won all four of its games — two on Saturday and two Sunday.

Coach Lynne Beecroft said her veteran players shone in the first game against the University of Calgary, which they beat 7-0.

In their fifth year with the team, Kollette Bourne scored three goals and Carmen Kirkness two. Fourth year players Rochelle Low and Milena Gaiga each scored one.

It was not just the seasoned players who participated this weekend, however. The depth of the team allowed Beecroft to have "fresh legs" on the pitch at all times. Even the second goalie played, she said.

The second game, against the University of Manitoba, was much tougher than anticipated. The team is very young, but it had a secret weapon — an Irish international.

"It made quite a difference," Beecroft said. Not so much of a difference though that the Vikes could not win, which they did 3-1.

Sunday morning the team won 4-0 against the University of Alberta. "They don't really have a lot of stars," Beecroft said. "It was just a matter of time before we put the ball in the goal."

The real test came Sunday afternoon against UVic's nemesis, the University of British Columbia. The team battled against an impenetrable defence, unable to score on 12 penalty corners. Yet, in the last 10 minutes UVic scored two goals almost back to back to take the game 2-0.

"Part of it was fitness and part of it was that I was able to make substitutions," Beecroft said. "In the last five to ten minutes if you can score a goal then you're pretty fit." □

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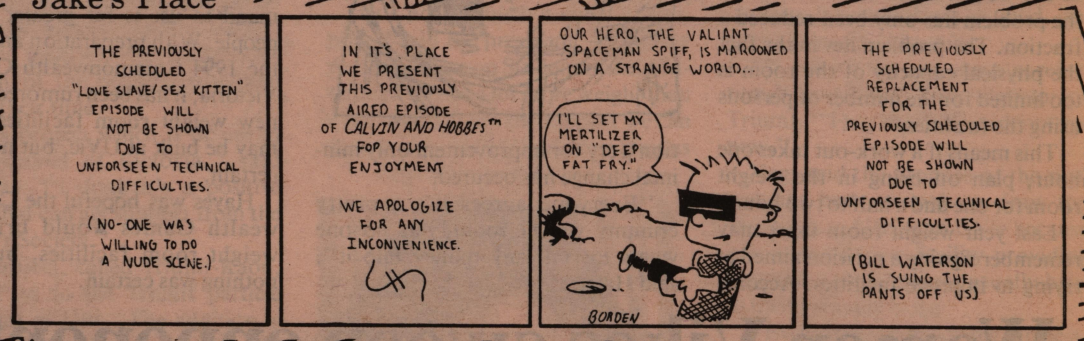

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GROWTH, TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY transfer in a Ricardian model of comparative advantage is the topic discussed by Scott Taylor at 3:30 p.m. in Clearihue A306. Economics Graduate and Honours Students are encouraged to attend.

HOW TO MOVE MOBS: The art of Roman Oratory. Jasper Griffin, noted classical scholar, tells us how, at 8 p.m. in room B108 of the Cornett building.

NATIVE TITLE AND LANDCLAIMS. Dr. Paul Tennant teaches us more about them at 7:30 p.m. in St. John's Anglican Church Hall, 1611 Quadra. Continuing Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. with various guest speakers. Admission free. For more info call 479-6866 or 381-0488.

Music

FRIDAYMUSIC free at 12:30 p.m. in the School of Music Recital Hall. School of Music students perform a program for various instruments. 721-8559.

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SATURDAY 29

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FACULTY RECITAL at 8 p.m. in the School of Music Recital Hall featuring pieces by Berlioz and Gaubert for flute and piano, plus a Canadian composed "Trio" for horn, violin, and piano. For ticket info, call 721- 8559.

SUNDAY 30

Community

RECREATION DAY free at the Memorial Arena from 1-5 p.m. A "leisure and recreation marketplace" of displays, entertainment, and fun. 384-1522.

5 K WALK-A-THON for the Persons with Aids Victoria Society, starting at the Inner Harbour (Government and Belleville) at 12 noon. Pledge forms and information are available by calling 479-2725.

Music

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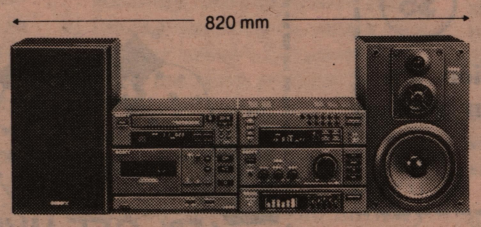

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Seminar

IMPROVING COMMUNITY HEALTH Through Applied Technology is a lecture by Dr. McQueen in the Victoria Conference Centre at 9 a.m. For more info, contact Jim Coward at 721-8575.

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BOOKS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD - the Department of Geography presents Dr Reg Horne in Cornett B145.

TUESDAY 2

Seminar

"DIRECTIONS of the Economic Recovery Program" - lecture by Professor Marek Prymon, 3:30 p.m. in Clearihue A206.

WEDNESDAY 3

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EVENING OF JAZZ with the Frederigo Vander Schyff Duo, in the Cafe Noir SUB Upper Lounge), 9:30 p.m. "Wicked" deserts, coffee, tea, beer and wine. Info: 721-8364.

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CLUBS CALENDER

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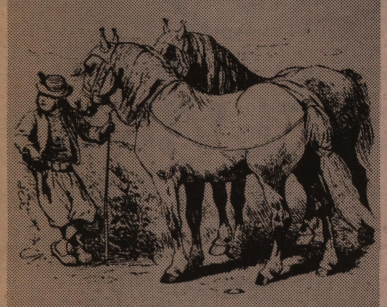
UVIC SCUBA CLUB first general meeting will be held Monday, Oct. 1 at 12:30 p.m. in Cunningham 013. All certified divers greatly welcome. Weekend dives, club charters, dive shop discounts, guest speakers, let's make it happen. If you can't make it, check out the SCUBA club bulletin board outside Cunningham 146.

THE UVIC CAVING CLUB meets every second Monday at 7 p.m. in the SUB, room 137, starting October 1.

CLUBS AND COURSE UNIONS - Hey everyone, Clubs Council meeting is happening at 1 p.m. in SUB Room 137, Friday Sept. 28. Budgets for both Clubs and Course Unions need to be handed in to the Students' Society Resource Centre by the end of this week. The time for Course Union Council to meet will be set for next week, so contact Elizabeth at 721-8369 if you would like to attend to represent your Course Union.



THE RIDING CLUB will meet Monday and Tuesday October 1 and 2 at 12:30 in room 137B in the SUB (just to the left of Cinecenta). All new members welcome.

THE STUDENTS FOR DEMOCRACY 2 will be meeting to discuss this year's projects at 2:30 Friday in 137a in the SUB.

LAMBDA CLUB COFFEEHOUSE for gays, lesbians and their friends meets Wednesdays, 7 -10 p.m. Clearihue B215. For more information phone 595-5455 (Scott or Dorothy) or 361-4900 (Island Gay Society).

MATURE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION is working to articulate mature student concerns. Phone Mark Neufeld, UVSS VP Services, at 721-8369.

UVIC OUTDOORS CLUB meets every Wednesday, Elliot 062 at 5:30 p.m. Come out for more details about activities planned this year; hiking, kayaking, cycling, rock climbing, skiing and more! Trips to Strathcona Park and the Walbran Valley are planned soon. Everyone welcome. For more information phone Mark, 721-1205.

AKIDO CLUB - Welcome back! The Akido Club is in full swing again on Mondays and Wednesdays in the apparatus gym from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Beginners and returning members sign up for the Athletics and Recreation course. If you have any questions about any of it, call Ben at 388-9255.

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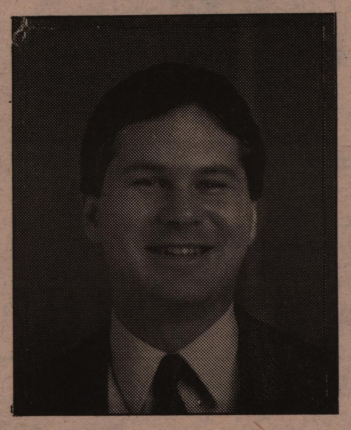

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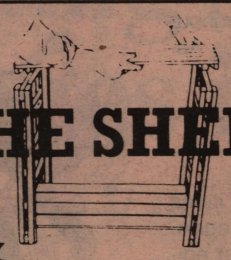

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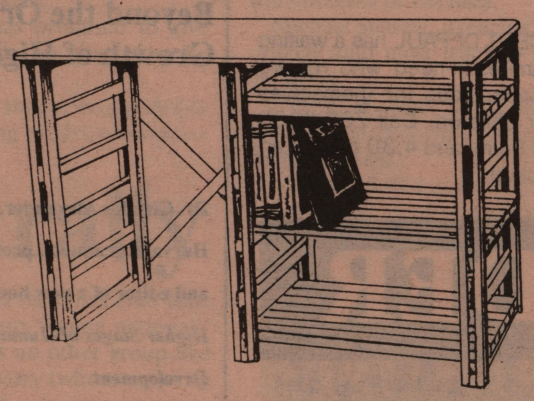

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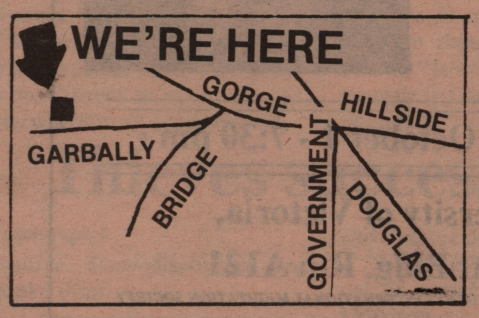

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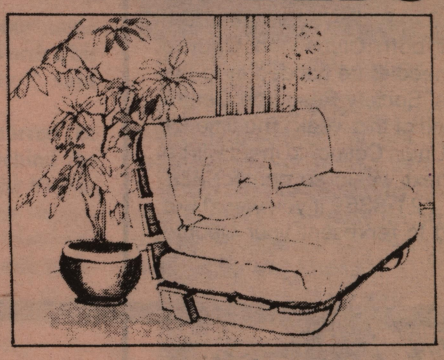

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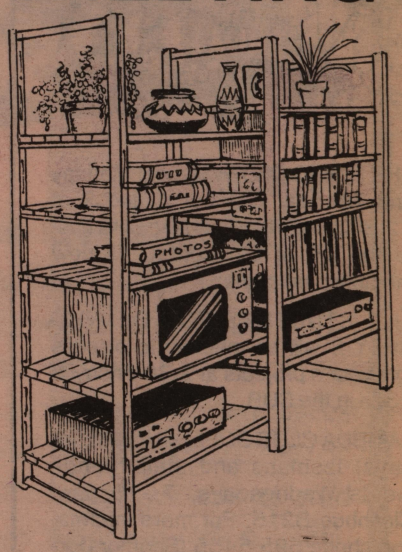

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